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## Campaign Continues Against New Garage; Petition Is Circulated

A multi-pronged effort to halt downtown development — with emphasis on stopping the construction of a garage in the Park and Shop lot — has been launched by a group of Borough residents calling themselves Concerned Citizens of Princeton.

Among those who are in the forefront of the effort are Herb Hobler, Jim Firestone, Tina Clement, Pat Strazza and Dorothy Koehn. "We are all working together," said Mr. Hobler, who has also sent a questionnaire about Borough redevelopment to 500 Borough and 500 Township residents.

In the past two weeks, members of the group have collected 300 signatures of Borough residents on a petition which seeks to place a referendum on the redevelopment on the November ballot. The goal is 604 signatures, which must be gathered by August 22. If this happens, the petition will be presented to Borough Council, which must then vote on whether or not to place the non-binding referendum on the November ballot. Mr. Hobler said he was "very optimistic" that the signatures can be gathered by the deadline.

The protest group is also planning an anti-garage march and rally on Tuesday, June 13. Garage opponents are asked to gather at the Garden Theatre at 6:45 for a march down Nassau Street to Borough Hall, where a Council meeting will begin at 7:30. Mr. Hobler said he expects an overflow crowd at the meeting.

In July 2001, Borough Council approved a redevelopment plan for the Park and Shop and Tulane Street lots that called for a three-story garage on the Park and Shop lot and additional garage space over a food market on the Tulane Street lot; cafes; shops; a public plaza; and 18 apartments. The two garages, to be connected by a bridge over Spring Street, would have offered about 483 spaces. A building housing offices and shops was to be constructed on Wither- spoon Street, in the entrance to the

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## Teachers' Union Contract Mediation Begins

In an ongoing effort to resolve their contract dispute, negotiators from both the Princeton Regional Board of Education and the local teachers' union met with a mediator Monday night at the district's Valley Road Building.

Prior to the meeting, approximately 70 members and supporters of Princeton Regional Education Association (PREA), the teachers' union, gathered for a rally and speeches in support of their negotiating team. They held signs that read "No more business as usual" and "We're No. 1 in the state and in the country in SAT scores: Let's not be last by contract."

Representatives from each side, who last met face-to-face in a meeting on July 26, met separately with mediator Richard Gwin to discuss the contract negotiations.

Charlotte Bialek, the president of the School Board, expressed optimism going into Monday night's meeting. "We could get this done tonight," she said.

"I'm very confident we'll be able to work out a fair settlement to the

negotiations that will prove beneficial for both the teachers' union and the district," said Anne Bums, a member of the School Board's negotiating team, before Monday night's meeting. "I'm going in with all sorts of positive energy."

After the meeting, however, representatives of PREA expressed disappointment at the outcome of the meeting.

"The School Board was not ready to settle last night," said Suzanne Thompson, one of the three co-presidents of PREA, on Tuesday. "When we look at the overall package offered by the School Board, we see benefit give backs and increases in work loads offset by insultingly small compensation."

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## Library Names "Native Speaker" First "Princeton Reads" Winner

The ballots have been cast. The votes have been counted.

After nearly two months of deliberation, the Princeton community has selected *Native Speaker* by Chang-rae Lee as the winner of the first "Princeton Reads" program.

Sponsored by the Princeton Public Library, the program will encourage the entire community to read the same book and discuss the issues raised within the novel through a series of local discussion groups.

"Obviously, I'm tickled by the

announcement," said Mr. Lee, who will be joining the Princeton University faculty this fall as a member of the Humanities Council and the Creative Writing Program.

"I have always liked towns where the library was the central place in the community, and I have always known Princeton as a community of serious readers," he said. "It's not surprising to me that the Princeton community would take part in a program like this."

Mr. Lee, who will be moving to

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**LET THE MEDIATING BEGIN:** Supporters of Princeton Regional Education Association, the local teachers' union, greet mediator Richard Gwin as he arrives at a contract negotiations meeting between representatives of the School Board and the union held on Monday night at the district's Valley Road Building.

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Tulane Street lot.

The current redevelopment project, introduced in May by the Borough and Nassau HKT Associates, is also envisioned for the Park and Shop and Tulane Street lots. It calls for a six-story garage on the park and Shop lot, some 77 apartments in two buildings, a food market, a park plaza, and additional retail and cafe space. The one thing that remains the same in both scenarios is the presence of a new, doubled-in-size public library on the site.

Mayor Marvin Reed said there were many opportunities for the protesters to challenge the redevelopment project before Council went to all the trouble of interviewing developers. "Now to do this at the eleventh hour, to attempt to block the whole thing, is counterproductive. When it comes to Dorothy [Koehn] and Herb [Hobler], I have to question them because they didn't want the library there in the first place," he said.

If its efforts fail to stop the redevelopment, Concerned Citizens of Princeton can attempt to place a binding referendum on the ballot. Such a referendum would consist of a question on whether to stop the bonding of the project. Getting this on the ballot would require that a number equal to 15 percent of Borough citizens voting in the most recent general election sign a petition. If this petition is submitted more than 60 days away from a general election, the Borough must hold and pay for a special election.

In November 1981, a Princeton group, Dollars & Sense, was successful, through the passage of a binding referendum, in stopping a redevelopment project on the Park and Shop lot.

The project called for the construction of a 240-space garage on the corner of Spring and South Tulane streets and an apartment house for the handicapped and elderly on a site next to the library on the corner of Wiggins and Witherspoon streets.

—Myrna K. Bearse

### Volunteers Sought As Writing Coaches

The Writers' Room at Trenton Central High School is seeking volunteers to be trained as writing coaches for students in grades nine through twelve. The six-hour training program will begin in September, and coaching will begin in October. Both day-

time and evening sessions will be offered.

Writing coaches will participate with students both in the classroom and in the computer-outfitted writers' room dedicated to the advancement of writing skills. Each coach will be assigned to one class and will work weekly to offer support and assistance as students compose essays, reports, journals and compositions. Coaches will collaborate with classroom teachers and will take students to the writers' room for concentrated work on the computer.

Call Sara Drake, Writers' Room Coordinator, at 989-training program will begin in 2485, or email her at sdrake@tchs.trenton.k12.nj.us for information.

## Property Tax Relief Is Available for Seniors

Senior citizens and disabled persons who own homes in New Jersey may be eligible for the state's Property Tax Reimbursement Program. By providing reimbursement equal to any property tax increases, the program enables eligible senior citizens and disabled persons to continue paying the property tax amount due in the first year they qualify for the program.

To be eligible for the program, seniors and disabled persons must have lived continuously in New Jersey for 10 years or more and have owned and lived in a home for at least three years. Seniors must be age 65, and disabled persons must receive Federal Social Security disability benefits.

Income limits for 2001 were set at \$38,475 for single persons and \$47,177, combined income, for married couples. Income limits for 2002 have not yet been announced.

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**ADVOCATE FOR THE ARTS:** Attorney Rhinold Ponder poses beside one of his paintings in his Princeton home. Mr. Ponder recently received a Governor's Volunteer Award for his efforts to reopen Crossroads Theatre in New Brunswick.

(Photo by Rebecca Blackwell)

## Princeton Attorney, Art Lover Recognized For Efforts to Reopen Crossroads Theater

Two years after a \$2 million debt forced Crossroads Theatre in New Brunswick to close its doors, the theater is in the process of selecting plays for a 2002-2003 season. The Board of Trustees of the nationally-recognized African-American theater recently voted to stage its first season in three years, a result due in part to the efforts of Princeton attorney Rhinold Ponder.

Last month, Mr. Ponder received the Governor's Volunteer for the Arts Award for his work with Crossroads. In

selecting him for the award, the Governor's Office of Volunteerism cited his "selfless gift of time and talent" and praised his contribution to New Jersey.

"I'm appreciative of the recognition," said Mr. Ponder,

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"but the real reward will be the reopening of the theater."

Mr. Ponder was hired by the ailing theater in June of 2000 to create a business plan that would allow it to mount a season despite increasing debt. Only later did he discover the full magnitude of the theater's financial problems.

Within months, the president of the Board of Trustees had resigned, and Mr. Ponder's role had changed from that of a paid consultant to president of the four-person board.

His interest in the arts is far more than just professional. Performing as a child with musical actors Ruby Dee and Ossie Davis instilled in him a lifetime love of the theater. He wants all children, including his 3-year-old daughter Jamaica, to have the same opportunity to enjoy and benefit from the theater.

Mr. Ponder is also an active writer and painter. His artwork adorns the living room and dining room of the Laurel Circle home he shares with his wife, former Township Mayor Michele Tuck-Ponder. The bright, impressionistic images depict African-American man and universal man soaring over worldly obstacles, such as slavery or the September 11 attacks.

His long-standing love of the arts made him committed to helping the theater back on its feet.

"The closing of Crossroads was such a great loss to the community," said Mr. Ponder. "I'm not referring to just the arts community or the African-American community, but to the national community."

Recognized as one of the premier centers of African-American culture in the country, Crossroads Theatre was founded in 1978 with the mission of developing and

producing works that showcase African-American life, history, and culture. The theater also strives to create dialogue and understanding across cultures.

"It is not simply an African-American-centered theater," said Mr. Ponder. "It is a meeting place for people of all cultures."

The theater's prestige peaked in 1999, when it won the Tony Award for Outstanding Regional Theater. Only a year later, the theater found itself facing overwhelming debt.

Mr. Ponder believes the expectations established by the Tony award may have contributed to the rising debt, as the theater staged bigger productions with bigger stars. The 310-seat theater was also

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**TORCH SINGER:** Singer Linda Torchia is accompanied by saxophone player Zac Colwell, of the Ted Firth Quartet, at Thursday's concert at Princeton Shopping Center. The performance was the last of the shopping center's 2002 summer concert series.  
*(Photo by Rebecca Blackwell)*

**Crossroads Theater**  
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paying high rents and suffering from internal management problems.  
"I thought the problem was solvable," said Mr. Ponder.  
For the next year, the board worked to reduce the theater's debt. They made the difficult decision to cancel the scheduled 2000-2001 season. Mr. Ponder describes the day they fired the theater's eight employees as "the saddest day of my life."  
The board cultivated positive relationships with the community, creditors, and philanthropic organizations. The theater rented space to community groups and held a holiday party for neighborhood children.

Fundraising efforts and matching grants from the state Legislature have produced \$500,000. Over \$250,000 in debt has been forgiven by creditors. "Once they recognize the community effort to save the theater, many of them are on board with that," said Mr. Ponder.  
A \$300,000 debt to the Internal Revenue Service could have forced the theater to shut down permanently, but an agreement reached with the IRS last month cut the theater's debt by almost half.

Mr. Ponder expects that when Crossroads reopens in October or November, half the total debt will have been eliminated and the other half favorably restructured. "We have everything in place to make our move forward successful," he says. "Now our direction is very clear. We just need to work very hard, very quickly."

Crossroads Theatre is not ready to announce its 2002-2003 season, but Mr. Ponder said it will include three productions, one of which will be a pair of one-person plays.  
Dick Miller, host of a syndicated radio show and one of Crossroads' now 18 board members, said of Mr. Ponder, "He inspires a lot of people. I've been so impressed with the kind of person he is."  
—Rebecca Blackwell

**"The Stony Brook Slog" Coming to Watershed**

The Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association, on Titus Mill Road in Hopewell Township, will present a "Stony Brook Slog" program for children ages six to 12, on Thursday, August 8, from 9:30 to noon.

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# Canoeing and Kayaking on Canal Are Popular Summertime Options

Just over the bridge at Alexander Road and across the street from Turning Basin Park awaits Princeton Canoe and Kayak Rental, a popular summertime destination for local residents and out-of-town visitors.

"Most people come down here because there are few areas in central New Jersey where you can really get out into nature," said Steve Androsko of South River, who has been operating the business for ten years.

"It's very peaceful," said Michael Tolk of Princeton, who recently moved to the area from Dublin, Ireland and who enjoyed his two hours on the canal last weekend. "It's a great thing to do on a Saturday afternoon."

"This location is perfect because of the Turning Basin," stated Mr. Androsko. Not only does the area provide room to place canoes and kayaks in the water safely, but it also offers proximity to Stony Brook and access to Lake Carnegie via a 40-foot portage.

Traveling north on the canal takes one under the Dinky bridge and towards the lake, while heading south leads one into a more remote region near the Rogers Wildlife Preserve.

Though some participate in the activity for exercise, most take part in order to enjoy the halcyon surroundings and the mirror-like water.

"This is an inexpensive and fun way for a family to spend a day's outing," said Mr. Androsko. "And it's a great alternative to watching TV or playing organized sports."

Additionally, there are

opportunities to encounter wildlife. "Over the last five or six years, I've seen an increase in the amount of wildlife in the area," stated Mr. Androsko. "People often see birds, fish, and all kinds of turtles."

## It's Not About Speed

Although certainly not the most effective means of transportation, canoeing and kayaking do offer enjoyable alternatives. "Canoeing is one of the slowest forms of transportation known to man," stated Mr. Androsko, who added that it would take approximately three hours to paddle to Kingston and back. "But it's not about speed."

According to the Historical Society of Princeton, the Delaware and Raritan Canal was a vital waterway in the mid-19th century as barges pulled by mules or steam tugs transported freight between Philadelphia and New York City.

Over 400,000 tons of coal, the main freight at the time, was moved via the canal each year in the 1850s.

The area surrounding the Turning Basin, which was used as a point to turn barges around, became a busy commercial site in Princeton, with establishments such as the Steamboat Hotel and Billy Lynch's Bottle Shop.

With the development of the Pennsylvania Railroad, the amount of freight traveling via the canal decreased significantly. Over time, the waterway became used primarily by pleasure boats, including the yachts of Princeton University alumni who tied their vessels near the Turning Basin while attending football games.

In 1932, the canal was closed to navigation. Today, it serves as a source of water and flood control, a refuge for wildlife, and a haven for canoers and kayakers.

From mid-April through the end of October, Princeton Canoe and Kayak Rental is open Saturday, Sunday, and holidays from 10 to 7. Additionally, from Memorial Day through Labor Day, it is also open Tuesday through Friday from 11 to 5.

## 4 Types of Boots

Mr. Androsko, who also operates a location in Griggstown and who spends his offseason with his family, rents 15-foot aluminum canoes and three types of kayaks: a one-person "Otter," a bigger, higher weight capacity one-person "Loon

111," and a two-person "Twin Otter."

Brian Speronello of Montgomery, who is working at Princeton Canoe and Kayak Rental over the summer, said both the canoes and kayaks are very stable, but they can tip over if people are careless or behave recklessly.

As a safety precaution, all people must take provided life jackets with them in their canoes or kayaks. Those under the age of 12 have to wear them at all times, and parents with a child of less than 30 pounds must provide a life jacket for their child.

"This is a great place for people to show their kids a little bit of nature," said Mr. Androsko. —David McNutt

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## Hospital Reports Births To 21 Area Residents

The Medical Center at Princeton has reported nine births to area residents in the week ending July 25.

Sons were born to Matthew and Mia Miller, Lawrenceville, July 19; Nikolai and Marina Gorelenkov, Princeton, July 22; and to Sam Scandol and Loredan Casalis, Princeton, July 22.

Sons were also born to Daniel and Harper Collins, Lawrenceville, July 23; Ira and Debra Baseman, Princeton, July 23; and to Israel and Elizabeth Arroyo, Princeton, July 24.

Daughters were born to Mark and Lara Heimann, Princeton Junction, July 19; Robert and Suzanne Seraphim, Lawrenceville, July 19; and to Young Kogh and Karen Ko, Princeton, July 25.

A son was born to Anthony and Julie Cucchi, Westport, Mass., on July 2. Grandparents are Gerald and Veronica Muller of Princeton and Florence and Paolo Cucchi of Princeton.

In addition, The Medical Center has reported 12 births to area residents in the week ending August 1.

Twin daughters were born to Michael and Suzanne Gully, Lawrenceville, August 1.

Daughters were also born to Joseph Batzer and Heather Rambo, Lawrenceville, July 26; Michael and Colleen McCaffrey, Pennington, July 30; and to Paul and Helen Legato, Princeton, July 30.

Daughters were also born to Louis and Lana Holder, Princeton, July 31; Bruce and Rika Goldsmith, Princeton, July 30; and to Brian and An Yank, Lawrenceville, August 1.

Sons were born to Gael L'Heveder and Sarah Mannino, Princeton, July 27; Hanoach and Debbie Sheinman, Princeton, July 30; Robert and Kendall Morris, Princeton, July 30; and to Sandeep Bhavsar and Marina Boyakova-Bhavsar, Lawrenceville, July 31.

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**JUST LIKE THE PROS:** Khadija Jahfiya cools off between events at the Princeton Multicultural Summer Camp Olympic Games at Grover Park. Friday's Olympics were the culmination of a week of studying Olympic history and included events from basketball to a raw egg relay.

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**GIRL TO GIRL:** Krista James of Princeton Girl Scout Troop 987 paints a colorful design onto the hand of 4-year-old Esme Claire Bajo during a carnival hosted by the troop on Friday. The carnival, held at Mary Moss Park on John Street, included games, food, and prizes for community youth.

(Photo by Rebecca Blackwell)

**Three Princeton Students Are Scholarship Winners**

Three Princeton Community Village residents have been awarded scholarships senior at Princeton High School who is entering Mercer County Community College this fall, was awarded a

\$2,000 scholarship. This is the first year of the JAHMA Education Scholarship Program. Of the eight prizes totaling \$16,000 awarded throughout the state of New Jersey, three went to residents of Princeton Community Village. Susan Ahrens, the on-site manager at Princeton Community Village and an employee of KM Light Real Estate, the managing agent for Princeton Community Housing Inc., was instrumental in notifying a number of students and parents about the program and encouraging the resident students to apply. When she learned that the prizes were being offered, she went through her files for seniors or college students living at PCV. She spoke with the guidance counselor at Princeton High about any help available in getting students to apply and delivered the forms to the students and their families.



Adam Varga



Jonathan Lall

**PCDI's Golf Classic Planned for October 8**  
Local golfers, community members, and corporations will take part in Princeton Child Development Institute's

(PCDI) fourth annual Golf Classic at the Royce Brook Golf Club on October 8, to benefit PCDI's programs for individuals with autism. In addition to golf, the event will include lunch, a cocktail hour, dinner, an auction, and four hole-in-one contests that will offer golfers chances to win cars. PCDI has been a part of the Princeton community for over 30 years. Its model intervention programs help people with autism both in the U.S. and abroad. Call 624-6280 for information.

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The grant will be used to find and enroll eligible families, simplify enrollment and renewal processes and coordinate healthcare coverage programs.

"Thousands of New Jersey's uninsured families do not realize they qualify for NJ FamilyCare," said NJHA President and CEO Gary Carter. "With generous funding and support from The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, we are better equipped to identify and enroll eligible children for coverage."

The grant is part of Covering Kids & Families (CKF), a four-year, \$55 million national initiative of RWJF that offers grants to state and local coalitions throughout the country increase the number of eligible children and adults benefitting from federal and state healthcare coverage programs.

For additional information about NJ FamilyCare, call 1-800-701-0710 or log on to [www.njfamilycare.org](http://www.njfamilycare.org). Information about the Covering

Kids & Families initiative can be found at [www.covering-kids.org](http://www.covering-kids.org).

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, based in Princeton, is the nation's largest philanthropy devoted exclusively to health and healthcare. It concentrates its grantmaking in four goal areas; to assure that all Americans have access to basic healthcare at reasonable cost; to improve care and support for people with chronic health conditions; to promote healthy communities and lifestyles; and, to reduce the personal, social and economic harm caused by substance abuse — tobacco, alcohol and illicit drugs.

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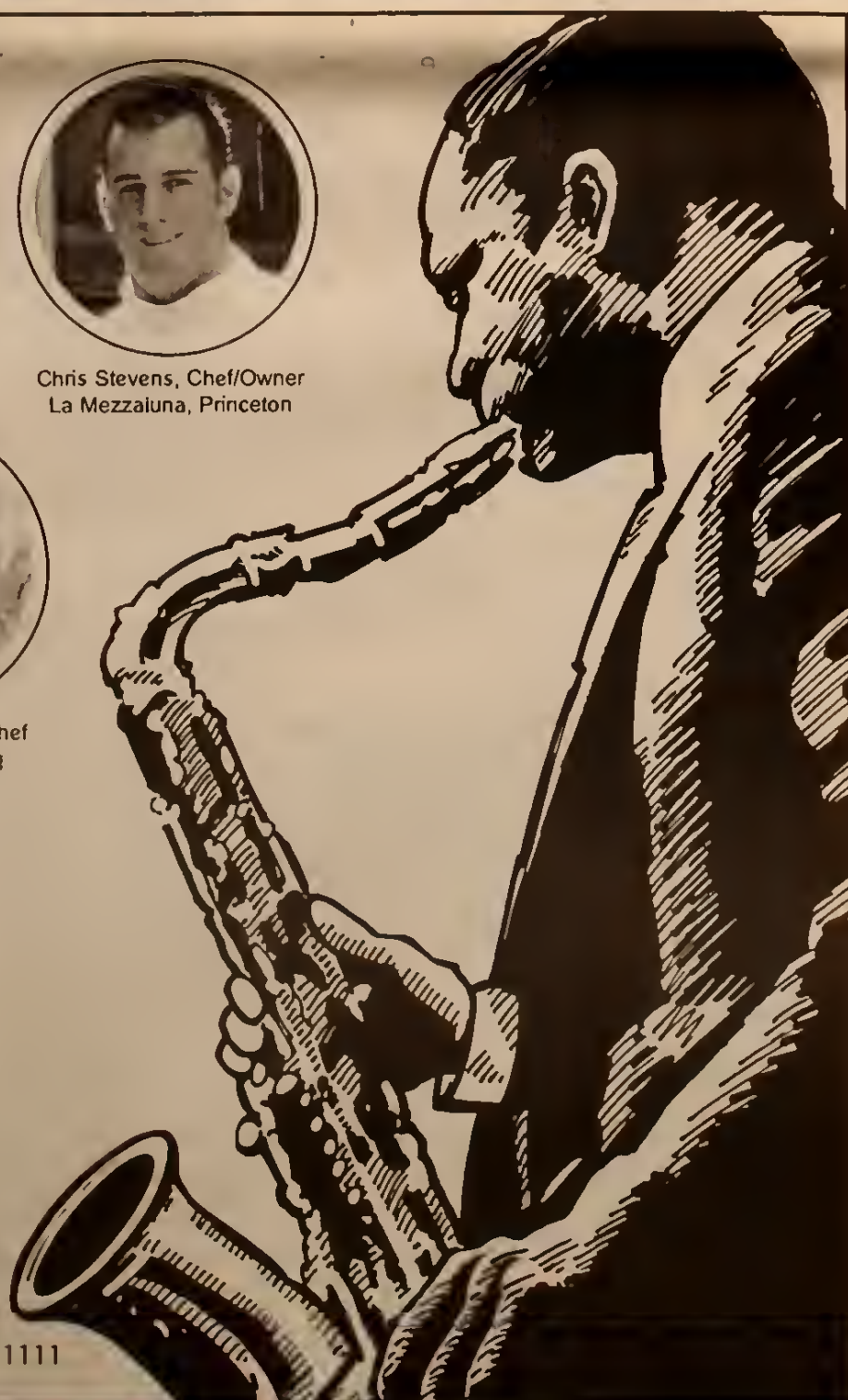
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From a condition set by Princeton Township to provide 45 new parking spaces for their continuing Library support, Princeton Borough and Princeton Future have gotten carried away in an upward spiral with misguided visions that no longer represent the will of the people. To meet that parking requirement, Borough Council's response is a 5 1/2 story garage at a cost of \$9.5 million (equivalent to \$200,000 each for the needed 45 spaces), plus 77-88 residential units in two five-story mid-rises, plus 2 plus retail stores, plus another restaurant, plus a \$1 million park.

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- Some don't like to use garages at night
- Going round and round and round and up and up 10-12 times to find a place

Borough Council is seemingly unconcerned about what the tax payers/voters want and, despite growing protests, it continues to move forward with ill advised concepts. To stop their unwise, insensitive postures, volunteers started on July 20th to circulate a petition which reads:

#### Petition for November Referendum

**The proposal for massive development adjacent to the library downtown should be abandoned and planning for rational scale improvements begun anew.**

#### EARLY RESULTS:

In just the first 14 days over **300 borough voters** signed the petition! (604 needed to put on the ballot by Mercer County 8-22 deadline.) And another 150 sympathetic interested township voters have also signed.

Obviously, **THE PUBLIC IS GETTING ANGRY.**

#### Protest March:

Borough Council meets August 13th at 7:30 PM. Join the Concerned Citizens parade to Borough Hall starting at 13 Vandeventer or join up along Nassau Street starting at 6:30. **This is a critical meeting to be covered by multi-media.**

### THE PRESENT LARGE DIRT PILE IS TEMPORARY---BUILDINGS ARE FOREVER.

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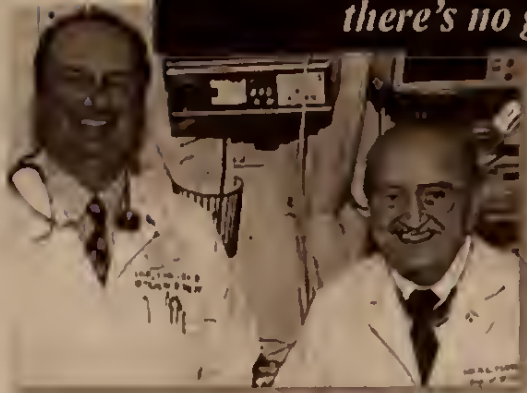
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## Township Domestic Violence Team Hindered by Lack of Volunteers

Two years after the state of New Jersey mandated that every municipality have a domestic violence response team, Princeton Township is ready to start training volunteers, if only it can find volunteers to train.

Advertisements in local newspapers and church newsletters have so far produced only six applicants. Lt. Robert Buchanan, the police officer leading the Township's Domestic Violence Victim Response Team, is still hopeful that more applicants will come forward before training is scheduled to begin in September.

Lt. Buchanan envisions the team as a community resource and would like to see it staffed and run by area residents. "We wanted to have a group of people from the community — our own domestic violence team. It doesn't seem that it's going to work out that way."

If the Township cannot recruit sufficient volunteers, it may have no choice but to join forces with neighboring communities.

Princeton Township and Washington Township received a joint state grant covering program start-up and training costs, but the two municipalities will not share a response team. The only remaining municipalities in the county without domestic violence response teams are Hopewell Township, Hopewell Borough, and Pennington Borough.

Princeton Borough has shared a team with West Windsor and East Windsor

since 1999. The team of 28 volunteers, only a few of whom are from the Borough, answers calls in all three municipalities. The Borough received 72 domestic violence calls last year. Sgt. Donald Dawson, who manages the program for the Borough, said West Windsor received a comparable number of calls to the Borough and East Windsor received twice as many.

The domestic violence statute covers 14 types of criminal activity, including burglary, stalking, criminal trespass, and terroristic threats. The most often reported violations in the Township and Borough are assault, harassment, and criminal mischief, say members of the two police departments. Both the Township and Borough report that incidents of domestic violence occur across demographic lines, with no particular economic group, race, or ethnicity having a higher rate of incident.

In 2001, Princeton Township police received 54 domestic violence calls and additional calls reporting situations involving verbal abuse that did not fall under the domestic violence statute.

Police officers have some training in dealing with domestic violence victims, but lack adequate time and facilities to provide victims with the full range of assistance they need. Currently, victims in the Township must wait in the police station lobby to be helped by officers who could be called out on other police business at any time.

A lack of facilities in the existing police station appropriate for counseling victims was one reason for the Township's delay in creating a team. The new Township building will have private facilities, which Lt. Buchanan said will be quiet, comfortable, and safe. "Everything will be more conducive to caring for the victim."

The Borough police station

has a private room, outfitted with a couch and toys for children, where victims can meet with a volunteer. "We try to make them feel as comfortable as possible and out of the mainstream of police activity," said Sgt. Dawson.

Domestic violence response team members provide confidential counseling to victims on options for housing, schooling, child care, psychological counseling, and other services they may need.

"The idea is to give the victim more attention," said Lt. Buchanan.

Volunteers can also counsel victims on their legal rights and options, such as obtaining restraining orders. According to Lt. Buchanan, the Township issues temporary restraining orders to virtually every domestic violence victim it serves.

Volunteers receive 40 hours of training over two months from Womanspace, the Trenton-based non-profit organization serving victims of physical and emotional abuse. The training covers dynamics of abuse, victims' legal rights, available resources, and diversity issues.

Womanspace Director of Education and Training Courtney Esposito said the role of volunteers is not to provide therapy for victims, but often their most important function is to listen.

Once trained, volunteers sign up for four 12-hour shifts a month. They are given pagers and are paged by police if a domestic violence incident occurs.

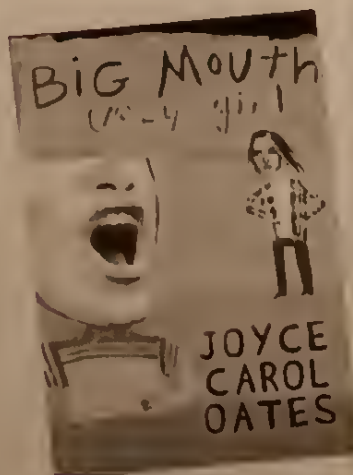
The early-morning timing of most calls, the required time commitment, and the lack of pay can make recruiting for domestic violence response teams a difficult task. The combined team serving the Borough and East and West Windsor has only 75 percent of its volunteer shifts covered, but Sgt. Dawson says those who do volunteer are extremely dedicated to helping victims of domestic violence.

Lt. Buchanan remains hopeful that the Township will have its domestic violence response team trained and answering calls by the end of the year.

—Rebecca Blackwell

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# California Man Is Victim Of Theft on August 2 On Witherspoon Street

A 29-year-old male resident of Truckee, Calif. was the victim of a theft on August 2 at 3:50 p.m. on Witherspoon Street. The victim was approached by a man who initiated a conversation with him and asked for a dollar.

The victim took out his wallet and was in the process of taking out a dollar when the suspect took all the victim's money from his wallet and ran off. The victim lost \$80. The suspect is described by police as a 26-year-old, six foot tall black male.

Three females were observed by Ptl. Michael Bender sitting on a Nassau Street bench drinking wine on August 4 at 12:42 a.m. When the females were approached by Ptl. Bender, they produced false identification.

Nora B. Zwi- ren, 18, of Princeton, Carey A. O'Laughlin II, 19, of Hobe Sound, Fla., and Virginia C. Adair, 18, of Hopewell were arrested and charged with hindering apprehension, possession of alcohol by underage persons and having an open container in public.

Two 31-year-old Princeton men were charged with disorderly conduct on July 29 at 8:45 p.m. Police said Jose Lopez, of John Street, and Baldimar Lopez, of Nassau Street, were fighting in the rear of 144 Witherspoon Street. The accused were taken into custody and released with summonses.

A 17-year-old male resident of Princeton was the victim of an act of lewdness on August 1 at 8 a.m. Police said the victim was walking in Quarry Park on Spruce Street when he noticed a naked man sitting on a bench. The man

stood up and faced the victim as the victim walked by. The suspect is described as a Hispanic male, 25-30 years of age, 5' 10" tall, with brown hair.

Someone entered Suite B at The Medical Center at Princeton, 253 Witherspoon Street, and removed a cash box from a cabinet between the hours of 5 p.m. on August 1 and 8:45 a.m. on August 2. Police said the cash box contained cash and checks totaling approximately \$1,500.

A 22-year-old Hackensack man and two 15-year-old males were arrested at the Dinky Train Station by Princeton University public safety officers on August 1 at 2:39 a.m. and turned over to Borough Police.

Police said Darlo Delfino and the two juveniles had in their possession marijuana and a marijuana pipe, which had been converted from a plastic orange juice container, stolen from the WaWa store. The three were charged with possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of stolen property.

A 40-year-old patient at Princeton House, Herrontown Road, was charged with possession of heroin and drug paraphernalia on August 1 at 10:44 a.m. Township Police said Salvatore Diliberto of Atlantic City told other patients at the facility that he had planted drugs outside and gave the location to them.

The information was passed to the staff, who located the drugs and a hypodermic needle. Police arrested the accused on controlled dangerous substances offenses and on a warrant out of Egg Harbor Township for \$1,000.

Someone stole an outboard motor from a boat on the

shore of Carnegie Lake near Lake Drive on July 28 between noon and 7:40 p.m. Police said the motor is valued at \$390.

A 22-year-old female resident of Neptune City was the victim of credit card theft, forgery, fraudulent use of credit card and theft by deception at 4:31 p.m. on July 25.

Police said the victim used the ATM machine at the PNC Bank at 76 Nassau Street and left her ATM card in the machine while in the active mode. Person(s) unknown used the victim's card to withdraw \$263 from her account.

A 45-year-old Westfield female was arrested for shoplifting at 1:37 p.m. on August 3. Police said Dedra Dowling stole two sets of play food and one pair of baby shoes valued at \$53.97 from Jazams, 15 Hulfish Street. The accused was released with a summons.

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**(ALMOST) BACK TO SCHOOL:** In preparation for Princeton Regional School District's renovation and construction project, which has been pushed back six weeks, temporary classroom trailers have been installed at Princeton High School.

## Site Plan Changes Keep Green Space, Delay Renovation of District Schools

The Princeton Regional School District's \$81.3 million construction and renovation project, which will bring changes to each of the six schools within the district, has been delayed six weeks until mid-October.

According to Anne Burns, member of the Princeton Regional Board of Education and chair of the School Board's facilities committee, the delay is due to changes in the site plans at three locations and their required resubmission for approval.

The redesigns — which concern the construction plans for Princeton High School, Littlebrook Elementary School, and Community Park Elementary School — will preserve some green space at each school.

Ms. Burns stated that the reasons for the changes to the site plans revolve primarily around questions regarding cost, program purposes, and most appropriate use of the property. "This is about getting the best possible use of our space," she said.

Claire Sheff Kohn, superin-

tendent of the district, stated that the delay is also due to the School Board's effort to include the input of district staff, local residents, and municipal officials. "The delay was the result of a good cause to accommodate as many perspectives as possible," she said. "A few weeks of delay on the front end of the project to ensure that the site plans and the bid specifications are done properly will serve us well in the long run."

### Added Costs

The site plan changes will incur an unspecified amount of additional costs to the project, which is funded through a bond referendum overwhelmingly approved by voters in May 2001. "There will be re-design fees for the architects and about one month's worth of fees to the construction management team," said Ms. Burns. "But, in the long run, this will be money well-spent."

Despite a previous plan to convert the parking lot and circular drive at Princeton High School into a rectangular lot, the School Board has decided to maintain much of the school's original design.

"We're going to keep the circular drive as well as the green space in front," said Ms. Burns. "We'll lose a little green space as we add ten parking spaces in the lot off Houghton Road, but we'll be keeping the historic tree out front."

The proposed redesign, which would have created a rectangular lot and enclosed the tree at the corner of Houghton Road and Moore Street within a small courtyard, was strongly opposed by local residents. "The neighborhood was sensitive to the green space in the immediate area," said Ms. Burns. "We're going to maintain that space, and we'll be working with the neighbors to resolve the matter of additional parking along the street."

At Littlebrook Elementary, the altered site plans will create a small parking lot in the rear of the school and preserve the green space surrounding the school. With no new driveway planned for that site, the school will conform very closely to its original design.

Similarly, Community Park Elementary will retain much of its original design. However, the district is considering an alteration of traffic patterns around the school.

"We have a safety issue at Community Park," said Charlotte Bialek, the president of the School Board. "We're in the process of developing a much safer plan concerning how parents drive into school and how they drop off their kids."

According to Ms. Burns, the altered site plans need to be submitted to a variety of local oversight authorities, including the Delaware and Raritan Canal Commission, the Soil Conservation District, the Stony Brook Regional Sewer Authority, and Wayne Township, which is reviewing the district's proposed plan as allowed under state law.

"I don't anticipate that we'll receive any opposition to our submissions," stated Ms. Burns, "since they're returning to, or very close to, the original plans."

She is also hopeful that the delay will not result in delays regarding the project's completion. "We're approaching this very aggressively," said Ms. Burns. "Six weeks may be optimistic since that assumes that the bids come back in our price range, but we have been very careful and we're hoping to go to bid just once."

"We're still in really good shape; six weeks isn't terrible," she added. "And the way the contracts are written, we're still holding our construction people to the same completion time."

### Scheduled for the Fall

Ms. Bialek stated that bids for the project will be sent out at the end of August. After the School Board has had time to review and analyze the bids, a special meeting will most likely be called in order to award the bids, according to Ms. Bialek. Construction is therefore scheduled to begin during the second week of October.

"These changes won't affect our educational program," stated Ms. Burns, who added that the athletic fields will now be available throughout the pre-season, all of September, and possibly part of October. "What they will affect is the look of the buildings: the aesthetics and interior designs of each building."

The timetables for the construction projects vary according to each level within the district. At the elementary schools, construction is expected to last 15 months, while the renovations of John Witherspoon Middle School and the high school are expected to take approximately 18 months to two years and three years, respectively.

Meanwhile, doublewide trailers that will serve as temporary classrooms have been installed in the parking lot off Houghton Road at Princeton High School.

"The trailers will be there for the duration of the high school's construction project," said Ms. Burns, who added that the district is currently engaged in discussions with the surrounding neighborhood concerning the construction of a temporary screening device. "We'll continue to work on that process." —David McNutt

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A Morristown native, Mr. Lubar is the author of ten books of science fiction and fantasy. His books include the acclaimed *Hidden Talents*, which appeared on the American Library Association's Best Books for Young Adults list, and the "Accidental Monsters" series, comprising *The Vanishing Vampire*, *The Unwilling Witch*, *The Wandering Werewolf* and *The Gloomy Ghost*. His latest, *Dunk*, will be released in September.

Mr. Lubar spent many years designing and programming video games for various companies, including "Home Alone," "Frogger" and "Frogger2" for the GameBoy and "Fantastic Voyage" and "River Raid II" for the Atari 2600.

Though he has extensive video game experience, Mr. Lubar prefers his literary efforts. "I'd rather write books than games," he says. "I especially like to write stories that are scary, strange, or funny. The most important thing I can say about writing is that I really enjoy it. I get to create whole worlds, and those worlds can be as weird and as strange as I want."

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Mr. Lubar is the final author to appear in the Summer Celebration of Writers. The series featured romance writer Shirley Hailstock in June. An appearance by mystery writer Anthony Bruno, which was to have been the July program, has been rescheduled for Tuesday, October 8 at 7:30.

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At the Deadly Ink 2002 Mystery Conference held in June in Parsippany, Sue Repko of Pennington won first prize for her short story "A Thin Line," and Flora Davis of Princeton won second prize for her story "The Ransom."

Ms. Repko's fiction has appeared in *Baybury Review*, *New Millennium Writings*, and *The Kelsey Review*. "A Thin Line" tells the story of an urban planner who finds more than she anticipated when she becomes involved in the redevelopment of a former state psychiatric hospital in central New Jersey.

Ms. Davis is a journalist and non-fiction author. Her first historical mystery novel is the beginning of a projected series set in 1940s Princeton against the backdrop of World War II. Her story "The Ransom" takes place in Princeton and involves a kidnapping solved with a twist.

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1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Butter and flour bundt pan, knocking out excess.
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6. Toss zucchini, currants and walnuts with remaining ½ cup flour mixture and add to batter; mix.
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When most people think of fitness activities, visions of sweaty gyms, dogged joggers, and swimmers doing lap after lap spring to mind. The notion of a tango or a cha cha as a workout may seem somewhat farfetched, but for growing numbers of people, ballroom dancing, or DanceSport as it is known in athletic circles, is the fitness workout of choice.

quickstep or Viennese waltz is like doing wind sprints," says Peter Andrews, an avid dancer who goes out dancing two or three times a week. "I like swimming, and do laps in the morning, but I find dancing gives me a real workout." Experts agree that dancing is an aerobic activity that improves the condition of the heart and lungs. It develops balance and coordination, along with stamina, muscular

endurance, and motor fitness.

### Olympic Sport

In fact, ballroom dancing has been accepted as a sport by the International Olympic Committee, which in 1997 accepted the International DanceSport Federation, which oversees competitive ballroom dancing throughout the world, as a full member.

Rusana Kasriel first thought of ballroom dancing for her young son. But after watching group lessons for children, she came up with a better idea, and signed up herself. Learning Swing, Cha Cha, and Salsa are helping her keep fit, and she looks forward to her workouts.

"I joined the gym nearby," she says, "but it was so boring. I love coming to the studio and I get my exercise and have fun at the same time."

Patricia Rosenblad started taking lessons at the Broadway Ballroom dance studio in Princeton about eight years ago. Originally she took lessons just for fun, but after a few years she became intrigued by the athletic and artistic challenges of dancing, and began to compete. She has seen a steady improvement in her coordination, balance, and endurance.

"Dancing is a wonderful way to keep fit," she says. "It combines sport with artistic expression. I love moving to music while disciplining my body. And I work up quite a sweat after just a few minutes of quickstep or jive!"

Thomas Lauren, a computer consultant, agrees. He used to practice karate until three years ago, when he and his fiancée took some ballroom lessons to prepare for their wedding. "I didn't want to look like a total cork during our first dance," he recalls. "Well, we really wowed the crowd at the wedding with our routine, and I decided that I enjoyed the lessons a lot."

Faced with a choice between karate and dancing lessons — his commute into Manhattan leaves him only so much spare time — he chose dancing. "It is athletic. Like karate, it calls for extreme body control, focus, and concentration, but it is also a very social sport. I can spend time with my wife enjoying the dancing and still get a great workout."

### Different Divisions

There are several different divisions of ballroom dancing. The two main types are International Style and American Style. As is evident by its name, International Style dancing is done throughout the world, including America.

American style is danced mainly here in the States, although it is gaining in popularity elsewhere as well, primarily for social dancing. Both International and American Style are divided into the Standard or Smooth dances,



**INCREASING IN POPULARITY:** Attendance at DanceSport Competitions has been rising rapidly during the last decade, as more Americans discover the excitement and challenge of competitive ballroom dancing.

which are Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, Viennese Waltz, and Quickstep; and the Latin dances, which are Samba, Paso Doble, Cha Cha, Jive, Rumba, Salsa, Merenge, Mambo, and Bolero.

Both styles have their adherents, and many people learn both American Style and International Style, which is the equivalent of learning 20 different dances. Since each dance has at least thirty steps, this is quite a feat.

Some people, like Patricia Rosenblad, become very serious about their dancing. For these people, DanceSport Competitions offer the opportunity to test their skills in the competitive arena. There are two major competitions in New Jersey annually. The New Jersey State Open and the American Star Ball. These events attract participants from all over the country, and occasionally from other countries, including England and Japan, where ballroom dancing is much more popular than it is in the States.

Participants are judged on their knowledge of the dance figures along with their carriage, stamina, coordination, speed, strength, and expressiveness. There are adult and junior divisions. In fact, increasing numbers of children are becoming involved in ballroom dancing as a fitness activity and a competitive sport.

**Dancing for Children**  
"The number of children in

our DanceSport classes has more than tripled in the last few years," says Alex Koulik, owner of Royal Ballroom Studio in Spotswood. "Ballroom dancing is excellent for children's coordination, poise, and social skills." Broadway Ballroom in Princeton also offers lessons for children.

"Ballroom dancing is for all ages," says Jean Howarth, an active member of the United States Amateur Ballroom Dancing Association (IJSB-DA). "Like other sports, it develops confidence, ease of manner, and grace of body. It also cultivates a positive mental attitude, developing good spirits."

In fact, many experts believe that ballroom dancing is also good for the brain. Arnold Scheibel, head of UCLA's Brain Research Institute, explains that ballroom dancing, and other types of dancing with established patterns of steps, "can probably serve as a kind of stimulus for dendritic growth, which means it adds to the computation reserves in your brain." Malilyn Albert, a brain researcher at Harvard University, says "We keep seeing a relationship between physical activity and cognitive maintenance."

Dr. Rena Gunnwen, a cardiologist who dances competitively with her husband, sums it up. "I tell my patients that if they want to enjoy life and stay healthy, they should try ballroom dancing. It is good for the body and the soul."

—Miranda T. Hempel

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### From October to July Is Too Long a Time To Negotiate and Come Up Empty Handed

To the Editor of Town Topics:

On June 30, all the teachers' professional contracts with Princeton Regional Schools expired. Without a new contract it is unclear whether or not our schools will open smoothly in September. The purpose of this letter to the editor is to inform the community about the progress — or lack of it — of the contract negotiations between the Princeton Regional Education Association and Princeton Regional Schools. Here are some facts:

Princeton Teachers are excellent, as verified by formal and informal assessments. In a district where "Princeton: A Place for Learning" is the motto, our professional teachers rank number one in the County, and the State, and are among the nation's finest. Our students consistently place number one in SAT scores, in college placement, and in national awards, from journalism to music. Our schools proudly offer a range of services and a variety of programs for all learners. These include special education classes, English as a Second Language, World Languages at the elementary level, and early intervention programs. Most importantly, our teachers encourage and enjoy professional, working relationships with our parents and with members of the greater Princeton Community.

Princeton Teachers want to get on with their business of teaching, and prepare for the complexities of the district's construction. October to July — that's too long a time to negotiate and come up empty-handed, with no contract in sight. Talk to teachers you know. Talk to Board of Education members. Talk to central administration. We need to finish this process and prepare our classrooms and our lessons for a new year. The sooner, the better, for all of us.

NANCY SCHREIBER  
JO SZABAGA  
SUZANNE THOMPSON  
Co-Presidents of PREA

### Unless Borough Acts to Increase Its Tax Base It Will Atrophy to Appendix to the University

A number of Borough residents have expressed strong objections to consideration of a park, residential/retail buildings, and parking garage on the Borough-owned land in the center of town. The majority of these objections fall into two classes: financial prudence and quality of life. It appears to me that the opponents of the more ambitious proposals have not addressed some key issues in both these cases.

**Financial prudence:** The Borough's tax base is stagnant or shrinking. The Borough's population has not grown for several decades, while the rest of the region and the University are expanding steadily. Unless the Borough takes action to increase its tax base, it will slowly atrophy to a mere appendix to the University.

**Quality of life:** Either choice has many consequences. If we choose to return to surface parking, we have implicitly given up much of the control over our own uptown. Instead of leading with our own example on this invaluable real estate, we will continue coping with whatever whims the Palmer Development Corporation and Princeton University decide is best for themselves.

Despite allegations to the contrary, Borough Council and the Mayor would be negligent if they did not consider proposals to improve our tax base and to enhance our town center at this opportune time.

I, for one, am willing to keep an open mind about the proposed plans until the point that we can fairly evaluate the costs and benefits of both visions for uptown Princeton, the cautious plan (offering minimal parking) and the ambitious plan (offering additional parking, people, and amenities). Input from the immediate neighbors of the site will weigh heavily in this consideration.

From a civic point of view, the ambitious plan makes a great deal of sense to me. Whether it can fly financially is the urgent question. A budgetary design must be completed well before November so we can finish the debate over these competing visions. We must soon decide our course for central Princeton, toward luxury condos and high-margin businesses with some public surface parking or toward a livelier mix of housing, retail, and park space with more structured parking.

Civil debate on these issues will not end with the decision, but either choice will have many ramifications for years to come. Anyone who thinks that returning to surface parking is a safe choice is ignoring some large negative consequences of that decision. I urge every Borough resident to keep an open mind until we have all the facts.

GENE IMHOFF  
John Street

### Examples in History of Town Planning Should Be Looked at by Borough Officials

To the Editor of Town Topics:

In the search for solutions to Princeton's parking problems, one may look to historical examples of town planning. In the 13th century, the city of Bologna, Italy (Bologna Futures?) decreed that every new building along the main streets should feature an arcade over the sidewalk. From that decision grew the porticoed city that we see today. The benefits are still apparent. Arcades protect pedestrians from the weather and enhance the quality of street life by promoting, for example, the expansion of restaurants and cafes to the outdoors.

The point here is not that Princeton should have arcades, although the weather here would certainly show them to be pedestrian-friendly. Rather, it is that since a town cannot be rebuilt in an instant, its form must be the result of construction guidelines operating over a period of many years.

In the present case, it would seem sensible to decide that henceforth, new buildings should devote their basement levels to parking. There would then be a gradual increase in parking space to keep pace with demand without the need for five-story garages. A precedent has already been set by the Palmer Square development. Unfortunately, it was not followed by the designers of the new public library. The hole in the ground where the old building stood would have accommodated some of the spaces that must now be provided by other means.

One of the questions now being discussed is whether the current interim library at the shopping center should be preserved as a branch of the new downtown public library. The merit of this plan is that it does more than benefit book lovers who may find the shopping center a convenient destination. By drawing traffic away from downtown, it automatically relieves congestion in that area. The plan should be seen as part of the solution to the downtown parking problem.

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## Council Should Back Out of Garage And Return to Neighborhoods for Input

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

This is a copy of a letter sent to members of Borough Council.

Mildred Trotman: You ran on providing more affordable housing for our community. But, at what cost? Do you realize that this is not affordable housing in the proposed garage plan for most of our people in the John/Witherspoon Street area? Rents will range from \$900-\$1,300/month. Is that affordable? Is Council ready to subsidize?

Is our fire company really equipped to handle more five-story buildings in tight situations or are we putting these volunteers at risk?

David Goldfarb: You alone among Council people live downtown, yet when your downtown constituency speaks out, instead of helping them you now appear to be trying to repress any dissent that they express about the garage project. Remember, it is not Council that votes for you. It's the people you are supposed to represent.

While you ran on the University not doing what it should in terms of direct financial support to the Borough with problems that they helped cause (and we pay for like the garage), what have you done to expose them and actively go against them?

Wendy Benchley and Peggy Karcher: You said that you were for bringing the Library back to town for the good of the Borough people. But, did you ever imagine that you'd be making it "inaccessible" to most of them by forcing them to park in a six-story garage? Did you get their permission also to vote to turn their town into a city overnight to achieve this goal?

And while you, Wendy, have been working on the jitney for two years now, can you tell our Borough merchants what you have ready in terms of employee remote parking?

Joe O'Neil: You of all Council members had the best foresight when you said that the Library block could be the town's own civic square, that the land was too valuable to sell or lease out to a developer for 99 years with technology changing as fast as it is.

With your vast Planning Board experience that the public voted for, how do you justify voting for Madison Square plans knowing it is mediocre?

Roger Martindell: Your speaking out against the garage project moves you into a centrist position among Borough voters, even for those in the party out of power. Imagine that, you looking good to Republican voters.

Mayor Marvin Reed: You said in your campaign that the Borough's most critical issue is "to stay on top of its finances." Speculation on debatable designs of garages and

accompanying buildings don't make sense in a severe economic downturn. You are leaving your voters in the dark. Where are the financial figures?

Voters can't seem to separate what you want for the town from what Princeton University wants for itself: a vibrant downtown, increased housing downtown for faculty, and a garage paid for by the voters, but significantly used by the University. When are you seriously going to get the University to pay its fair share? Where is your activism?

When will you consider backing out of the garage and returning back to the people for real neighborhood input?

JIM FIRESTONE  
Vandeventer Avenue

## Hun School Headmaster Responds to Concerns Voiced by Neighbors About Campus Upgrades

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

I am compelled to respond to concerns regarding the future of The Hun School of Princeton — especially as they relate to campus upgrades under consideration by our board of trustees.

The Hun School of Princeton has a long tradition of providing students with a rich and challenging academic program. The Hun School of Princeton also has a long tradition of being a good Princeton neighbor. We have strived in the past and will continue to strive to maintain a position of respect and decency toward the residents of Edgerstone Road.

I wish to put to rest speculation of the school's impending population growth. Simply stated — it will not happen. There will be no increase in student enrollment. There are no plans for additional student residences or classrooms.

In reviewing the school's 20-year master plan, which received "high marks" from the Township planning board, we felt the time had come to once again appear before the planning board to present a conceptual plan for an athletic facility and upgrades to the present campus parking configuration.

The plan for a new parking area is in direct response to residents' concerns regarding overflow on-street parking. These concerns have made us more committed than ever to contain campus cars on campus grounds. We realize overflow, on-street parking is a nuisance and a source of aggravation to our neighbors and it is our intent to develop on-campus facilities to eliminate this need. In turn, on-campus parking will reduce student trips through the neighborhood, and improve visibility and safety on public streets.

It is our hope that once our neighbors fully understand the scope of what is now only a conceptual plan that they will come to appreciate our efforts to better control present parking habits. In addition to a controlled parking plan, overall traffic movement and traffic management will be evaluated both on and off campus. In addition, we recently filed a site plan application which addresses the service area along Edgerstone Road. The plan calls for extensive landscape buffers to beautify the new and proposed extended fence. Traffic flow will be redirected to reduce headlight glare and some additional parking is planned to remove parked cars from public streets. Again, no expansion of enrollment is planned.

The Hun School has historically provided excellent scholastic programs and a variety of extracurricular activities for its students, including the arts and athletics. We take pride in the growth, progress, and accomplishments of the young men and women in our community and as our youngsters flourish, so must our facilities.

I look forward to continued dialogue with our neighbors. I encourage anyone with questions to contact the school so they may be presented with thorough and accurate information.

On behalf of the administrators, faculty, students and parents of The Hun School of Princeton, we are committed to the highest standards of academic excellence and we are committed to being a good neighbor — one everyone in Princeton is proud to know.

JAMES M. BYER, Headmaster  
The Hun School of Princeton



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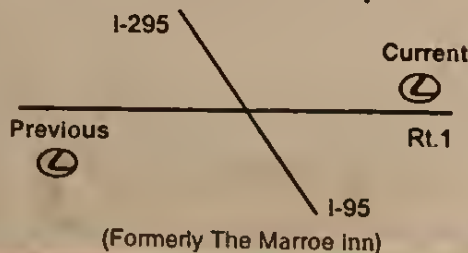
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## New Ice Cream Shop Off Witherspoon Street Is the Right Idea Planned in the Right Location

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

Halo Pub is one of our Downtown's jewels. And Jerry Reilly is one of our best local merchants. We support his entrepreneurial spirit, and his development effort for a new Halo Pub.

On June 25 and July 11, Princeton Future hosted meetings of what might be called the "the neighbors of Square 2": Ritchie Carnevale of The Annex, Margaret Knapp of Micawber Books, Barry Weissfeld of the Princeton Record Exchange, Jerry Reilly of Halo Pub, Ken Verbeyst of Verbeyst Cleaners, Mark Bovenizer of Community Liquors, Mayor Marvin Reed, Bob Powell, Jim Firestone, John Blei-maier, Don Moore, Bob Durkee, Pam Hersh, Tim Norris, Stanley Dohm, Henry Arnold, Bob Brown and I were able to attend one or both of the meetings.

The items discussed were owner's hopes and concerns; the developer's hopes and concerns; Mayor and Council's hopes and concerns; piecemeal vs. cohesive planning; the public interest and the private interest; a balance; the advantages and disadvantages of an Area In Need of Redevelopment, is there a plan that can be made for the existing parking spaces; "What if?" Square II: The Hole in the Donut; and seeking agreement on an urban design concept before the developer's agreement is signed.

Jerry Reilly has the right idea, in the right location! It would seem from his letter to the newspapers on July 23 that he has misinterpreted the attitude and position of Princeton Future. A new ice cream shop on the proposed extension of Chambers Walk would fit perfectly with what Princeton Future's meetings have heard over the past two years.

SHELDON B. STURGES  
Co-Chair, Princeton Future

## Planned Development Is Not About Cars, But About Getting People to Enjoy Princeton

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

On Wednesday, July 24, I attended (with perhaps 60 Princeton residents) a meeting related to another element of proposed Madison Square development. Most of the people at this meeting were clearly very excited about public space surrounded by some new buildings appearing in Princeton.

Ideas were tumbling out. The prevailing theme was creating places for people. Today I want to express my appreciation of Borough Mayor's and Council's leadership and of Princeton Future input in this exceptionally open and inclusive process.

I am with those who see the need for more people (young and old, rich and not so rich) living downtown, congregating downtown, playing, eating ice cream, people watching, shopping and window shopping, strolling about with baby carriages or hurrying on business. We have a great opportunity for creating such a place in Madison (or E=mc) Square. Many a city has been destroyed by buildings being replaced by surface parking. We in our small town have a lively center. Let us keep it and improve it. The multi-use development proposed for the prime downtown site next to the library is our opportunity to do so.

I applaud the wisdom of keeping the library where 30 percent of patrons can (and did) walk to it. I expect Borough Council, the Mayor, Princeton Future, the developer and, last but not least, ourselves, the citizens, to do the best possible job of steering the development towards the right balance between public space and revenue-producing parking, retail and housing.

The garage will provide reasonably priced parking most agree we need. The garage will keep people from outlying parts of Princeton and from the neighboring communities from circling through and parking in residential neighborhoods. That is good. The retail and housing will help pay for the construction of the garage and the public square, the only publicly owned downtown square. That is also good. The residents of the new apartments will walk with other Princetonians to the new food market, to CVS, to the library, to the movies. That is very good.

Many specifics will need to be worked out. With low interest rates and high housing demand the time may well be right for this venture. Financial projections are being worked out. I expect the Council (and outside auditors?) to go over them with a fine tooth comb. Many citizens will be watching. This is the democratic process as it should be.

In the end, it is the long-term results that will count 20, 50 years from now. Let us remember that this development is not about cars. It is about getting people out of cars and enjoying Princeton. I know we can do it right.

JOANNE KENDIG  
John Street

## Protest March to a Borough Hall Meeting Planned by Opponents of Garage Project

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

There is a wake-up bell sounding in Princeton. It is calling the citizens to come forward and band together in saving the essence of this wonderful, historic town from the ruination of massive overdevelopment in the heart of the downtown — our most precious remaining public-owned space.

There is a petition calling for a referendum on this overdevelopment circulating throughout the community. It is providing the voters a first-time real opportunity to put their names to this issue — so that the people, not the local governing body alone, may take part in this monumental

decision, and to have a say in how the land is used — from now into the future.

There has been a heart-warming and vibrant response to this call and in just a few short weeks, from those who have heard the tolling of the bell, and from those who are now coming into the band with perhaps less information, but with true concern and understanding of the implications. In spite of the Princeton summer lull — when families are busy and citizens are away, this message is getting through and the people are coming forward.

Join in this citizens movement to take our community message of "no more unresponsive, uncaring local government" to Princeton Borough Hall on August 13.

A parade down Nassau Street will begin at 6:45 p.m. starting from the Garden Theatre and progressing to Borough Hall. Or you may come directly to Borough Hall at 7:15 p.m. to join the assembly in front of the monument.

For more information about the petition and parade call Dorothy Koehn at 688-0690.

You may also sign the petition by printing it off our website at: [www.iloveprinceton.org](http://www.iloveprinceton.org).

KATIE WRIGHT  
Birch Avenue

## A Request for Moderation and Consultation With Residents in Affected Neighborhoods

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

Among Princeton's assets have always been its relatively quiet, slow-changing way of life and its involved citizenry. While there may be good reason for improvement in the downtown area, this is a plea for moderation and consultation with residents in the affected neighborhoods.

The proposed large-scale development appears to kill that goose that has for so long been laying golden eggs. Greed can destroy towns as well as corporations.

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**AS HIMSELF:** This image by Judy Dater of Peter C. Bunnell, who recently retired after 30 years of teaching at Princeton University, is among the photographs currently on display at the University's Art Museum as part of the newly named Peter C. Bunnell Collection.

## Photo Collection Is Named After University Professor

The Princeton University Art Museum recently announced that in recognition of the retirement of Peter C. Bunnell, professor of the history of photography and modern art, after 30 years of teaching at the University, it is naming a collection of contemporary photographs in his honor.

Images from the Peter C. Bunnell Collection are currently on display at the Art Museum through October 27. The collection is comprised of works given by artists who have been associates of Professor Bunnell since the 1960s.

The contributions reflect the history of contemporary photography and include works by Robert Adams, Lewis Baltz, Paul Berger, Thomas Joshua Cooper, Robert Flick, Lee Friedlander, Bill Jacobson, Les Krims, Ray K. Metzker,

Also Duane Michals, Irving Penn, John Pfahl, Susan Rankaitis, and Jerry N. Uelsmann. Professor Bunnell's long-standing commitment to Japanese photography is represented in works by Eikoh Hosoe, Yashura Ishimoto, and Shomei Tomatsu.

Also in Professor Bunnell's honor, the Friends of the Princeton University Art Museum are presenting a gift of \$50,000 for the acquisition of a photographic work of his choice.

### Three Degrees

Born in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. in 1937, Professor Bunnell earned degrees from the Rochester Institute of Technology, Ohio University, and Yale University before becoming the curator of the department of photography at the Modern Museum of Art in New York. In 1972, he was appointed as professor of the history of photography and faculty curator of photography at Princeton University.

Professor Bunnell has played a major role in shaping the study of the history of photography as an academic field. Thousands of students have taken his photography survey and seminars, and today many of his students hold academic positions and major curatorial appointments at institutions in the United States and Europe.

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## TAWA's Second Show To Open at Ellarslie

The Trenton Artists' Workshop Association (TAWA) will open its second exhibition of this summer at Ellarslie, the Trenton City Museum, on Saturday, August 10.

The show, which will feature the work of five artists in their own rooms within the museum, will run through September 15. An opening reception will be held on Saturday, August 10 from 6:30 to 9:30.

## ART

Those artists to be shown include Frances Heinrich of Princeton, who will be displaying both two and three dimensional works focused on the issues of birth, aging, and regeneration. Ms. Heinrich is scheduled to give a gallery talk, which will be accompanied by a performance art event, at the TAWA exhibition on Sunday, August 18 at 2.

Loring Hughes of Law-

renceville will be showing watercolor and tempera paintings, and she will give a gallery talk on Sunday, September 8 at 2. Ms. Hughes, who recovered from several debilitating strokes, produces works that are psychologically probing, autobiographical, and often satirical. "Before the strokes, I was more realistic," she said. "Now, I tend to be more stark and emotional. I'm more spontaneous with my creations."

The TAWA exhibition will also feature photographs exploring visual mathematics by Rob Greco; works of ink, mixed media, and porcelain by Joy Kreves; and hand-painted black and white photographs by Terry Rosiak.

The Trenton City Museum, Ellarslie, is located at Cadwalader Park in Trenton. Museum hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 11 to 3 and Sunday from 1 to 4.

There is no charge for admission to the show, but donations are gratefully accepted. For further information, visit the museum website at [www.ellarslie.org](http://www.ellarslie.org) or call 989-3632.



**THE MERGING OF TWO PASSIONS:** "The Outing," a mixed media work by Terry Rosiak in which the artist painted directly onto a black and white photograph, will be among the pieces on display at the second TAWA exhibition of the summer at Ellarslie, the Trenton City Museum beginning August 10.

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The exhibit will include painted black and white portraits, photographs of old New Brunswick and the Delaware and Raritan Canal, and recent color images.

Mr. Rubel, who will celebrate his 88th birthday in December, has exhibited his work throughout central New Jersey in solo and group exhibitions. A Plainsboro resident, he said a quote from Ansel Adams summed up how his feels about his work: "A photograph is an expression of what one feels about what is being photographed, and that is an expression of how one feels about life and reality."

The public is invited to meet the artist at the reception. For exhibit hours or more information, call Photography by Sherry Rubel at 924-6055.

### Lawrenceville Artist Showing in Trenton

Watercolors by Sandra Nusblatt of Lawrenceville are on display and for sale in the Cafe Gallery at the New Jersey State Museum through September 9.

Ms. Nusblatt, who teaches



**PORCH SCENES:** This watercolor of the Isaac Stover House by Sandra Nusblatt of Lawrenceville is among the works on display and for sale by the artist in the Cafe Gallery at the New Jersey State Museum through September 9.

watercolor classes at the Lawrence Senior Center in Lawrenceville, was commissioned in 1998 to paint a watercolor of Drumthwacket, the official residence of the governor of New Jersey.

Born and raised in Trenton, she enjoys painting house portraits and wicker porch scenes with strong contrasts of light and shadow. The Cafe Gallery is located in the New Jersey State Museum at 205 West State Street in Trenton. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 9 to 4:45 and Sunday from noon to 4:45. For more information, call the Museum Shop at 394-9535.

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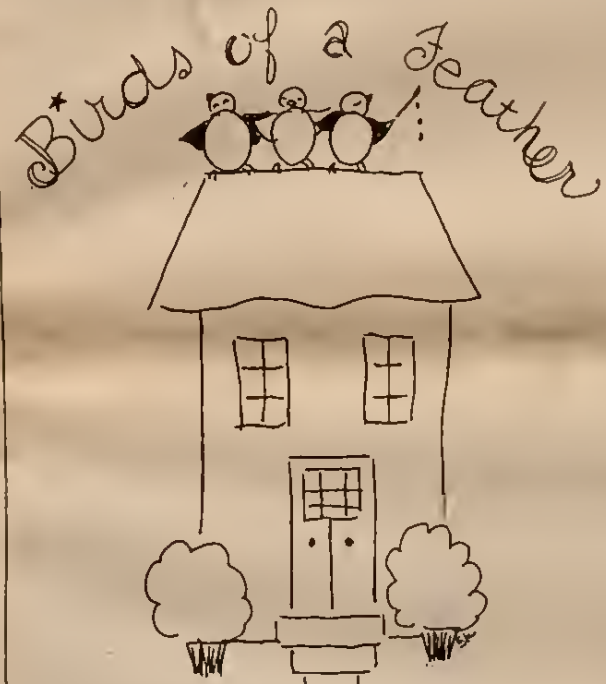
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**PEACE AND LIBERTY:** This political poster from the French anti-Communist organization Paix et Liberte, which reads "The Dove that Goes BANG," is one of 35 posters featured in a new exhibit at Princeton University's Mudd Manuscript Library.

## Mudd Library Exhibits Political Poster Show

Through February 1, 2003, Princeton University's Seeley G. Mudd Manuscript Library will display 35 French political posters in its new exhibition, "Paix et Liberte: Posters that Go BANG!"

The show features the work of the French anti-Communist organization Paix et Liberte, which endeavored to combat what it regarded as lies contained within Communist posters.

Founded by French politician Jean-Paul David in 1950 against the backdrop of a successful poster campaign by the French Communist

Party, Paix et Liberte fought fire with fire by exploiting the themes, languages, and symbols of its opponent's posters.

Perhaps the most powerful symbol that Paix et Liberte transformed was Pablo Picasso's dove of peace, which the artist had created for a French Communist Party conference in 1949. Visitors to the exhibit will see the dove depicted as a threatening bomb, a tank, or a victim shot by a representative of the Soviet Union who wields a gun in one hand and an olive branch in the other.

Other posters attack prominent members of the French Communist Party such as Maurice Thorez or Soviet Union leaders such as Vladimir Lenin and Joseph Stalin. Taken as a whole, the posters underscore the harshness of France's postwar political decline, as well as the ideological divisions that marked the Cold War.

"Paix et Liberte: Posters that Go BANG!" is open to the public without charge from Monday through Friday from 8:45 to 4:15 and, beginning in September, from 9 to 4:45 on Wednesdays.

The Seeley G. Mudd Manuscript Library, a division of rare books and special collections at Princeton University, is located at 65 Olden Street between William Street and Prospect Avenue. For more information, call 258-6345 or visit [www.princeton.edu/mudd](http://www.princeton.edu/mudd).

## Artists' Gallery to Hold Joint Oil Paintings Show

The Artists' Gallery in Lambertville will host a joint exhibition of oil paintings from Friday, August 9 through Sunday, September 1. An opening reception for the exhibit will be held on Saturday, August 10 from 6 to 9.

The show will feature two distinct perspectives of the natural world: classical still lifes by John Murdoch and paintings of oddities within the natural environment by James Freeman.

Mr. Murdoch and Mr. Freeman, both of whom are from Chicago, have previously exhibited in New Jersey. Mr. Freeman, who attended Savannah College of Art and Design, won first prize in the 7th Annual Juried Show at Artsbridge at Prallsville Mall. Mr. Murdoch, who won a scholarship to the American Academy of Art in Chicago, teaches life drawing at the Community Conservatory of Music in Doylestown, Pa.

The Artists' Gallery is located at 32 Coryell Street in Lambertville. Gallery hours are Friday through Sunday from 11 to 6 or by appointment. For more information, call 397-4588 or visit [www.lambertvillearts.com](http://www.lambertvillearts.com).

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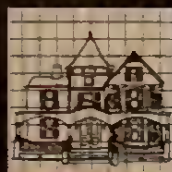
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### Weddings

**Egge-Cooke.** Cristina Egge, daughter of Carmen and George Egge of Arlington, Va., to Scott Cooke, son of Pat and Wayne Cooke of Princeton. A ceremony and reception were held June 10 in Madrid, Spain.

The bride graduated from William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Va., and University of Michigan Business School, Ann Arbor, Mich.

The groom graduated from Colgate University, Hamilton, N.Y., and University of Michigan Business School. He is employed by Bristol-Myers Squibb in Plainsboro.

The couple took a honeymoon trip to the Greek islands. They reside in Westfield.

**Cooper-Hansen.** Angel Cooper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Cooper of Fort Washington, Pa., to Darren B. Hansen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Hansen of Skillman.

Ms. Cooper received a bachelor of arts degree in biology from LaSalle University. She is employed as a clinical scientist at Wyeth Pharmaceuticals in Collegeville, Pa.

Mr. Hansen is a graduate of Montgomery High School. He received a bachelor of arts degree in chemistry and history from Rutgers University. He is a doctoral candidate in chemistry at the University of Pennsylvania.

### Engagements

**Angelakis-Golfinopoulos.** Eve Angelakis, daughter of George and Katina Angelakis of Pennington, to Ted Golfinopoulos, son of Sam and Kay Golfinopoulos of Princeton.

Ms. Angelakis is a graduate of The Peddie School and received a bachelor's degree in Business Management from Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa. She is employed as a catering manager at her family's business,

Olives Deli & Bakery on Witherspoon Street.

Mr. Golfinopoulos graduated from The Lawrenceville School. He received a bachelor's degree from Franklin & Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa. and a master's degree in real estate from New York University in New York City. He is self-employed as a real estate developer.

An October wedding is planned.

**Southerland-Carisi-de Lappe.** Margaret Welsh Southerland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Chapman Southerland Jr. of Princeton, to Peter Donough Carisi-de Lappe, son of Ms. Gemze de Lappe of New York City and Williamsburg, Mass., and the late John E. Carisi of New York City.

Ms. Southerland attended Stuart Country Day School and graduated with honors from William Smith College in Geneva, N.Y. She is employed by JPMorgan Chase as a vice president of corporate social responsibility and California grants manager for the JPMorgan Chase Foundation.

Mr. Carisi-de Lappe graduated from Peter Stuyvesant High School of Science in New York City and The College of the Atlantic in Bar Harbor, Maine. He is a computer animator and digital artist with film and television experience and is employed as a software engineer at Discreet, a division of Autodesk in San Francisco.

A September wedding in Princeton is planned.

**Cooke-Margelis.** Alison R. Cooke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodger Cooke of Dayton, to Michael J. Margelis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Margelis of Hillsborough.

Ms. Cooke graduated from Middlesex County Vocational School as a licensed practical nurse. She resides in Princeton and works at Princeton Orthopaedic Associates.

Mr. Margelis is a graduate of Delaware Valley College. He resides in Princeton and works at TNT Pools.

A December wedding is planned.

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**Thursday:** 10:00 a.m. Yoga; Princeton Community Village.  
12:30 p.m. Pinochle; Spruce.

**Friday:** 6:00 p.m. Bingo; Elm Court.  
7:00 p.m. Pokeno; Clay Street Learning Center. Call 497-1286.

**Monday:** 11:15 a.m. Chair Exercise; Spruce.  
1:30 p.m. The Wonder of Wordplay; call 924-7108 for location.  
2:00 p.m. Healthy Bones; Spruce.  
6:00 p.m. Bingo; Elm Court.  
7:00 p.m. Pokeno; Clay Street Learning Center. Call 497-1286.

**Tuesday:** 10:00 a.m. Tai Chi (last class in session); Acorn Glen.  
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## CALENDAR

### Wednesday, August 7

8-10:30 p.m.: Princeton Country Dancers; Princeton Friends School, Quaker Road.

### Thursday, August 8

7 p.m.: Princeton Rep Shakespeare Festival, King Lear; Pettoranello Amphitheater, Community Park North. Also Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at 7.

8 p.m.: Princeton Summer Theatre, The Fantasticks; Hamilton Murray Theatre, Princeton University campus.

### Friday, August 9

8 p.m.: A Flea in Her Ear; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 and Sunday at 2:30.

### Saturday, August 10

7 p.m.: Music in the Park, Nassau Brass; Mercer County Park, West Windsor.

### Sunday, August 11

1 p.m.: Summer Carillon Series, Melissa Moyer '05, Princeton University; Cleveland Tower, Graduate College.

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### Thursday, August 15

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8 p.m.: Princeton Summer Theatre, How I Learned to Drive; Hamilton Murray Theatre, Princeton University campus. Also Friday and Saturday at 8, Sunday at 2.

**Friday, August 16**  
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**Princeton Summer Theater Launches Final Show of 2002 Season, Mixing Love and Abuse in Unsettling "How I Learned to Drive"**

**I**t wasn't broad-based entertainment value or a comforting message that won Paula Vogel the 1998 Pulitzer Prize for *How I Learned to Drive*. Despite its humor and genuinely warm, touching moments, this play confronts directly the taboo subject of pedophilia and evokes discomfort, even shock, in its audiences.

*How I Learned to Drive*, which opened last weekend at Princeton Summer Theater, is a love story between Li'l Bit and her uncle, an affectionate tribute to Uncle Peck, and also a disturbing picture of a middle-aged man's abusive relationship with his niece. It is a memory play in which the narrator-protagonist looks back at the years from 1962, when she was 11, to her early adulthood in the 1970s; it is the story of Lolita told from the point of view of Lolita as a grown woman coming to terms with her past.

The message here is complex and troubling, and this powerfully engaging play, full of laughter and tears, is not easy to watch. So many of the scenes Li'l Bit relives, during the uninterrupted 90 minutes in which she tells her secret and presents her lessons, are heartwarming and affectionate, but also thoroughly upsetting in their exploration of this repellent emotional terrain.

**Sexuality and Life**

**L**i'l Bit (Erie Gilley) narrates and reenacts these memorable moments, shifting frequently in time and place to present as complete a picture as possible of how she "learned to drive." The driving is literal, as Uncle Peck (Tom Stevenson) instructs her in the rules of the road, and, of course, also figurative, as Li'l Bit learns about sexuality and life.

A simple unit set, designed by Rebecca Simson with lighting by Jessica Bonney, provides all the essentials: two chairs down right for the front seat of the automobile, with table and chairs, a high counter and a bed upstage to suggest various other settings. Banners depicting vintage cars, pin-up girls and roadside scenes emphasize key themes and the rural Maryland setting of the 1960s and 70s. The minimal design enables director Evren Odickin to stage the action smoothly and effectively, as the production invites the audience's imagination to fill in necessary transitions and details.

Learning to drive provides the context for the play and for Li'l Bit's reminiscences, as an offstage voice (Rachel Miller) delivers periodic directives from the driver's manual (e.g. "Safety First — You and Driver Education," "Shifting Forward from First to Second Gear," "Good defensive driving involves mental and physical preparation"), all to be understood in a double sense, to introduce the various scenes.

Assisting Li'l Bit in this painful process of remembering, which is also a process of therapy and catharsis, are three members of a "Greek Chorus" (Erie Carter, Holly Birch, Charlie Hewson). They bear witness to Li'l Bit's experiences, comment on the action and play a range of different characters in Li'l Bit's life: from family members — grandparents, Aunt Mary, mother (father has long since departed) — to Li'l Bit's obnoxious, sex-obsessed teen-age schoolmates. The versatile chorus provides considerable humor to offset the underlying seriousness of these memories, while at the same time illustrating in vivid detail the cruel and dysfunctional environment in which Li'l Bit comes of age.

**Sensibly Treated Subject**

**P**edophilia, particularly in a play where tone shifts so subtly and is so often disturbingly ambiguous, would seem to provide less than ideal theatrical subject matter, especially for a youthful company of college undergraduates and recent graduates. Mr. Odickin's direction, however, manifests a maturity, sensitivity and understanding beyond his years. Foremost of many wise choices was his reaching outside the immediate PST company to cast Mr. Stevenson, veteran actor and a generation older than the rest of the group, as Uncle Peck.

Mr. Stevenson is not exactly the Atticus Finch-like figure from *To Kill a Mockingbird* whom Ms. Vogel calls for in her



**MIXED EMOTIONS:** Li'l Bit (Erie Gilley) relives moments in her relationship with her Uncle Peck (Tom Stevenson) in *How I Learned to Drive*, Paula Vogel's rhapsodic, moving and troubling memory play about dealing with the effects of child abuse, at Princeton Summer Theater for one more weekend, August 15-18.

script, but he is utterly believable, focused and, yes, sympathetic, in every moment on stage. He is thoroughly engaging in portraying the beloved, accepting and also frightening uncle — not a villain, but a figure who inflicts wounds and is himself wounded, even though (or perhaps because) he loves, and is loved in return. A World War II veteran in his forties, Uncle Peck is an alcoholic, a man with "a fire in his heart" that he cannot extinguish. During the course of the evening, Li'l Bit, and Ms. Vogel the playwright, never excuse him, but they do bravely confront him and his pedophilia — with understanding, pity and sadness.

As Li'l Bit takes the audience back many years into her past, it is clear that she has been severely scarred. "That day," she explains in recalling her first abusive encounter with Uncle Peck, "was the last day I lived in my body. I retreated above the neck, and I've lived inside the 'fire' in my head ever since." But, remarkably, *How I Learned to Drive* is ultimately about forgiving, rather than demonizing — about healing and moving on.

**Scenes That Strike**

**I**n 12There are many noteworthy scenes during the course of the evening, but especially striking are the encounters between Peck and Li'l Bit where conflicting, confused emotions are most intense: conversations throughout Li'l Bit's teen years when she and her uncle bond in seeking refuge from the coarseness of the rest of the family; a photo session in Peck's basement when Li'l Bit is 13; just the two of them out to dinner for a drunken 16th birthday celebration; and, of course, the many episodes in Uncle Peck's car.

Ms. Gilley is consistently strong and completely convincing as both the young Li'l Bit struggling through the various stages of her coming of age and the grown woman looking back. She, however, along with the chorus and the offstage voice, needed more volume and clarity on opening night. A sharper delineation between the narrator Li'l Bit and the character in action would also be helpful. The five-member ensemble is notably capable and well rehearsed.

Their simplest and in many ways their most challenging production, *How I Learned to Drive* provides a powerful finale to an impressive 2002 season for Princeton Summer Theater. In this memorable show, the youthful company dynamically demonstrates talent, maturity and an extraordinary ability to balance the comic and the tragic, the need for sympathy and the necessity for condemnation, theater as entertainment and theater as painful learning.

—Donald Gilpin

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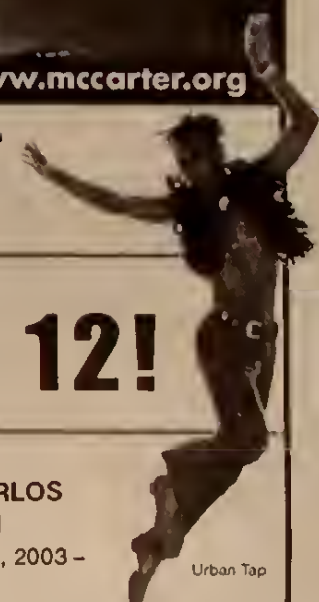


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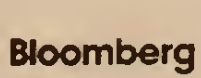
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## MOVIE REVIEW

### "Stuart Little 2"

78 minutes, Rated PG

Directed by Rob Minkoff  
Featuring Geena Davis, Hugh Laurie and the voices of Michael J. Fox, Melanie Griffith, Nathan Lane and James Woods

E. B. White's plucky white mouse is back on the screen in *Stuart Little 2*, sequel to *Stuart Little* (1999).

As *Stuart Little 2* begins, Stuart (voice of Michael J. Fox) is feeling blue and a bit left out of things at the Little household. His parents (Geena Davis and Hugh Laurie) are busy doting on Stuart's toddler sister, Martha (played by twins Anna and Ashley Hoelck). Stuart's older brother, George (Jonathan Lipnicki), has found new friends to play with.

It's not long before Stuart finds a new friend of his own. A flirtatious yellow canary named Margalo (voice of Melanie Griffith sounding both innocent and sultry) tumbles from the sky into Stuart's tiny red roadster as Stuart is driving home from school one day. Margalo has a hurt wing and is being pursued by an evil big bird named Falcon (voice of James Woods).

Stuart takes Margalo home and puts her wing in a sling. In no time at all, Margalo becomes a member of the Little family.

When Margalo suddenly disappears from the Little home, Stuart assumes Falcon has kidnapped her. Stuart talks the wisecracking Little family cat, Snowbell (voice of Nathan Lane), into helping him find Margalo. Stuart and Snowbell have lots of adventures as they journey out into the world to search for Margalo.

One of the best things about the movie is its attention to detail. Each white hair of computer-generated Stuart blows in the wind. Joy, disappointment and fear show on his tiny face. Stuart's wardrobe includes khaki cargo pants, plaid pajamas, red sneakers with white laces, and — when Stuart is lowered into the kitchen sink to retrieve Mom Little's diamond ring — yellow slicker and hat.

The film also does a great job of seeing the world through the eyes of a mouse. Stuart dodges cleats on the shoes of his soccer teammates, skateboards in an empty birdbath, and has a drive-in movie date with Margalo, watching Hitchcock's *Vertigo* on a floor-level T.V. while parked in Stuart's car.

*Stuart Little 2* moves along briskly without feeling rushed. It's a treat for the whole family. —Janet Kirk

## Family Musical Staged At Summer Theater

Princeton Summer Theater will present the second installment of its 2002 Family Series, the musical *The Fabulous Fable Factory* by Joseph Robinette and Thomas Tierney.

The musical, which is directed by PST company manager Elizabeth Berg, tells of a girl who stumbles upon an abandoned factory, only to discover that it is very much alive. The factory churns out fables under the direction of Mr. Aesop.

As the girl learns more about the factory, the machines begin churning out classic stories like *The Tortoise and the Hare*, and *The Lion and the Mouse*, all set to fun, hummable music.

The cast is headed by PST company member Nathan Freeman, who has taken leading roles in both *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and *The Fantosticks*, as Mr. Aesop, and local student Annie Sanford as Marilyn.

Performances are August 10 and 17. Shows are at 11 and 2. All tickets are \$5, and children under 3 are free of charge. The ideal age range for the show is 5 through 12, though children of any age, even grown-up ones, will enjoy the show. Call 258-7062 to reserve tickets.

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### THE KID STAYS IN THE PICTURE

Daily: 2:40, 4:55, 7:10, 9:25 (R)

### MY WIFE IS AN ACTRESS

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### TADPOLE

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The Kid Stays in the Picture (R): Fri., 5:15, 7:15, 9:30; Sat. & Sun., 1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:15, 9:30; Mon. - Thurs., 4:45, 7, 9:15

Full Frontal (R): Fri. - Thurs., 4:30

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Read My Lips (NR): Fri. - Thurs., 5:45

The Kid Stays in the Picture (NR): Fri. - Thurs., 2:40, 4:55, 7:10, 9:25

My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG): Fri. - Thurs., 2:30, 4:45, 7, 9:15

My Wife is an Actress (R): Fri. - Thurs., 2:30, 4:45, 7:05, 9:20

Sunshine State (PG-13): Fri. - Thurs., 2:30, 8:30

Lovely & Amazing (R): Fri. - Thurs., 2:45, 4:55, 7:05, 9:15

Tadpole (PG-13): Fri. - Thurs., 2:45, 5, 7:15, 9:30

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K-19 The Widowmaker (PG-13): Fri. - Thurs., 6:35, 9:25

Road to Perdition (R): Fri. - Thurs., 1:30, 4:15, 7, 9:45

Men in Black II (PG-13): Fri. - Thurs., 9

Signs (PG-13): Fri. - Thurs., 1:15, 4:10, 7, 9:45

Stuart Little 2 (PG): Fri. - Thurs., 1:30, 3:20, 5:10, 7

Spy Kids 2 (PG-13): Fri. - Thurs., 1, 3:05, 5:10, 7:15, 9:20

Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13): Fri. - Thurs., 12:45, 3, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45

Country Beers (PG): Fri. - Thurs., 12:45, 2:40, 4:35

XXX (PG-13): Fri. - Thurs., 12:45, 1:30, 3:30, 4:15, 6:15, 7, 9, 9:45

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	6:15-7:00 Topaz Hip-Hop/Jazz (2-4 Grade)	4:00-4:45 Amethyst Ballet (3-5 Grade)	5:00-5:45 Opal-Aqua Ballet (4-6 Grade)		
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**Blood Work** (R) Clint Eastwood directs and stars in the story of a retired F.B.I. agent called back to work to capture a serial killer he once pursued. From a novel by Michael Connelly.

**Country Bears** (PG) Haley Joel Osment (in a bear suit) travels to Tennessee to reunite the Country Bears rock band.

**Full Frontal** (R) Julia Roberts and David Duchovny in a movie about the making of a movie. Steven Soderbergh directs.

**K-11 The Widowmaker** (PG-13) Harrison Ford plays a Soviet nuclear submarine captain at the height of the Cold War.

**The Kid Stays in the Picture** (R) Made from actor/producer Robert Evans' autobiography. Mr. Evans narrates.

**Lovely & Amazing** (R) Brenda Blethyn stars in a comedy about four neurotic female family members.

**Master of Disguise** (PG) Dana Carvey is a waiter at his father's Italian restaurant who suddenly learns what business his family is in.

**Men in Black II** (PG-13) Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones return to the screen to battle alien rabblers. Lara Flynn Boyle leads the allens.

**My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Cultures clash when a 30-year-old Greek woman who works in her cranky father's restaurant falls in love with an inappropriate man.

**My Wife is an Actress** (R) French comedy about a writer married to an actress who becomes jealous of his wife's new leading man (Terrance Stamp).

**Read My Lips** (NR) Comedy about an overworked secretary whose life perks up when her handsome new assistant turns out to be a crook. In French with subtitles.

**Road to Perdition** (R) Tom Hanks and Paul Newman as Chicago mobsters in 1931. Stanley Tucci plays Al Capone's right hand man Frank Nitti.

**Signs** (PG-13) Mel Gibson stars as a farmer and former minister who discovers crop circles on his land. With Joaquin Phoenix and Cherry Jones.

**Spy Kids 2** (PG-13) The child spies return - this time to battle a mysterious scientist (Steve Buscemi) who is up to no good.

**Stuart Little 2** (PG) E.B. White's little white mouse (voice of Michael J. Fox) comes of age and develops a crush on a bird (voice of Melanie Griffith).

**Sunshine State** (PG-13) Edie Falco and Angela Bassett as two women who see their Florida home town being ravaged by real estate developers. Directed by John Sayles.

**Tadpole** (PG-13) Tale of a 15-year-old prep school student who has crushes on his stepmother (Sigourney Weaver) and her best friend (Bebe Neuwirth).

**XXX** (PG-13) Vin Diesel as an extreme athlete who is recruited as a secret agent to infiltrate a Russian crime ring.



**GETTING READY FOR "GODSPELL":** Del Howard, bottom, of Princeton, and Stephen Caputo rehearse for the Saint Genesius Players' production of "Godspell" to be presented at St. Joseph's Church, 34 Yorktown Road, Hillsborough. The musical is based on the Gospel according to St. Matthew. The show will run August 16, 17, 23 and 24 at 8, and August 18 and 25 at 3. Tickets are \$10. Call (732) 251-7936 for information.

### Single Tickets on Sale For 2002-2003 Season At McCarter Theatre

Single tickets for McCarter Theatre Center's 2002-2003 season go on sale Monday, August 12 beginning at 9 a.m. through the McCarter Theatre Box Office. Web orders will be accepted starting Saturday, August 10, at 9 a.m., at [www.mccarter.org](http://www.mccarter.org).

McCarter has added several new events to its season schedule, including a solo concert appearance by alternative-rock icon Ben Folds on Sunday, October 13; Grammy Award winning singer/songwriter Shawn Colvin in an acoustic solo concert on Monday, October 28; legendary British folk-rockers Richard Thompson on Tuesday, October 29; Nickel Creek, the award-winning trio of bluegrass innovators, on November 19; and cellist Yo-Yo Ma on Friday, January 24.

Other highlights of the fall season include jazz great Dave Brubeck and his quartet on Tuesday, October 22; young sitar virtuoso Anoushka Shankar on Friday,

November 8; Barbara Cook, the First Lady of the musical stage, in "Mostly Sondheim" on Thursday, November 7; and internationally-renowned solo pianist George Winston in a tribute to the rock band The Doors on Tuesday, December 17.

Single tickets are also available for McCarter's 2002-2003 Theater Series, which opens with Joe Orton's black comedy *Loot*, September 8 through September 29. In October, the 2002-2003 Theatre Series continues with the world premiere of *Crowns*, based on the best-selling book *Crowns: Portraits of Black Women in Church Hats*. Adapted and directed by Regina Taylor, with choreography by Ronald K. Brown, *Crowns* runs from October 15 through November 3.

For more information on McCarter Theatre's 2002-2003 season, call the McCarter Theatre Box Office at 258-ARTS (2787) or online at [www.mccarter.org](http://www.mccarter.org). McCarter Theatre is located at 91 University Place.

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The Actors Company at Westminster will hold auditions for the 2002-2003 season on August 13 - 15 from 7 to 9 p.m. in Library Room 2 on the campus of Westminster Choir College, 101 Walnut Lane.

Audition sign-ups and materials are available by calling 921-7104 or emailing [wccconserv@rider.edu](mailto:wccconserv@rider.edu). Membership in the company is limited to those entering 10th grade to adult. The Junior Company accepts children entering grades 4-7.

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Sonia Perez wraps up in a towel for the march back to the nursery school.



Roxana Aguilar and Makye Pegram enjoy the spray of water produced by splashing classmates.



Princeton Nursery School students Makye Pegram, left, and Luis Lazo use kickboards as umbrellas in the spray of the wading pool's fountain.



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A group of Recreation Department Summer Day Camp campers, calling themselves the Crazy Canoers, work with counselor Heather Matts, second from right, to build a boat for competition in the camp's annual Cardboard Canoe Race. The six groups of fifth and sixth grade campers had to design and build a boat using only four pieces of cardboard and two rolls of tape.



John Ostrer paddles valiantly, but the "S.S. Typhoon" can't quite weather the storm.

(All photos by Rebecca Blackwell)



Mariah Akrong carefully smooths tape along a seam in her team's cardboard boat.



Olivia Ray paddles "The Master 2002" to victory as Kyle Parsons tries to keep Bootleg, the winner of the boys' heat, afloat. This was the third consecutive year in the four-year tradition that a girls' team won the Cardboard Canoe races. The Master also defeated the boat constructed and piloted by camp counselors.



Lilegaurd Zabrina Barazani helps 4-year-old Danny Hallowell get a better view of the races at Community Park Pool on Wednesday, July 31.

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# Sports

## Princeton/Cranbury Babe Ruth Team Takes All-Star Tourney Championship

A day after suffering what was perhaps its most stinging setback of the season, the Princeton/Cranbury Babe Ruth Baseball League team rebounded to win the Hamilton-Lou Gehrig 15-year-old All-Star Tournament by humbling the host squad, 11-2, on Thursday, August 1.

The locals found their way to the championship round of the double-elimination event by going 3-0 in their first three tourney tilts. PC first harangued Hamilton, 7-6, on Tuesday, July 23, before lashing Lawrence, 6-5, on Saturday, July 27, and waylaying West Windsor/Plainsboro, 9-6, in the finals of the winners' bracket on Monday, July 29.

Homestanding Hamilton subsequently eliminated West Windsor in the losers' bracket final on Tuesday, July 30 and, on Wednesday, July 31, the host team handed PC its first loss of the tournament, 9-5, after rushing to a commanding 8-0 third inning lead.

That result set up a one game, winner-take-all scenario and, quickly putting Wednesday's walloping behind them, the Princeton/Cranbury players showed that they were up to that challenge.

Hamilton took a 2-1 lead in the last of the first, but PC came right back and scored a pair of runs in the top of the second inning

for a 3-2 advantage and never looked back, holding Hamilton harmless the rest of the way. The locals then secured their lopsided lambasting by tallying four times in the fifth frame and adding four more scores in the sixth.

The tourney's title tussle was ended after six stanzas due to the league's no-inning-started after two-hours-and-15-minutes time limit.

The PC starter in Thursday's showdown was Zach Stern, a southpaw sophomore from Princeton High who got the win by throwing three innings and allowing three hits, one walk and two earned runs.

PHS ninth-grade righthander Robby Begin then took the mound for two-and-a-third innings of action, where he relinquished two safeties and struck-out three. PDS frosh Anthony Bernazard finished out the game by recording a pair of K's.

### Clutch Hits

The game-tying and winning runs came in the top of the second on a pair of clutch two-out base hits.

First, with one out, frosh catcher and ninth place hitter Nick Brener (PHS) walked, moved to second on a groundout and then scored on

an RBI single off the bat of fellow PHS freshman third bagger Jon Lauri.

Lauri, in turn, was then plated by a single from PHS ninth-grade rightfielder Dan O'Brien.

The squad's second slot slugger, Lauri was tabbed as the tourney's MVP after going four-for-five on the night, with a pair of runs batted in, to go along with four scored.

Among the other most offensive forces for PC in the win were O'Brien, Begin and Peter Stevens.

O'Brien, the club's clean-up clubber, went four-for-five, with an RBI. Batting in the three spot, Begin went two-for-five, with a three RBI triple, and eight hole hitter Stevens (frosh/Lawrenceville) went two-for-three, with a walk and two runs scored to his credit.

### Loss to Hamilton

In the loss to Hamilton, the locals gave up seven runs in the first two innings, one more in the third and were behind 9-3 after the top of the fifth.

Lauri went two-for-three, with two RsBI and two runs registered in that lopsided loss, while Begin was two-for-three, with one RBI.

Monday's victory over West Windsor/Plainsboro was a 2-2 affair until the third inning, when PC opened things up with six scores, going ahead, 8-2.

WW/P came right back with four runs in the top of the fourth, closing the disparity to 8-6, but PC recorded the game's final run in the last of the fourth and then held on for that 9-6 victory.

Lauri was the PC starter and winner, going three-plus innings. He was followed to the hill by Bernazard, who got the save.

Begin was three-for-three, with three runs

scored in that victory, while Bernazard was one-for-three, with two RsBI, and O'Brien was two-for-two, with a walk, two RsBI and a run scored on the night.

"I'm very proud of these kids and of the way they came back after being beaten badly Wednesday night," lauds PC coach Andy Brener of his troops.

"We had a talk in the dugout right after the game ended and we discussed how we had to leave it all behind us right then and there.

"These kids played baseball until the last out on Thursday and that's the way they played all year. They went out and played the best they could until the last out."

—Bill Allen



**FROM THE BEGINNING:** Frosh righthanded pitcher Robby Begin was the starter pitcher in the 11-2 championship game win by Princeton/Cranbury over Hamilton.

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**THE CHAMPS:** The Princeton/Cranbury Babe Ruth Baseball League team celebrates its Hamilton Tournament championship.

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## SMB Defeats Backes & Hill in First Game Of Summer Rec Basketball Championship

Number 5 seed SMB 9:28 left in the second half defeated Number 3 seed Backes & Hill Monday night in the first game of the best-of-three championship series in the Princeton Recreation Department's Summer Adult Basketball League.

SMB led 29-28 at halftime behind 11 points from Keith "The Wizard" Jones. Backes & Hill stayed close in the first half thanks to seven points from Laurence Young and six apiece from Rich Wilson and Derick Grant.

In the second half SMB got strong production from Ike Davis, who scored 11 points, including seven of eight from the foul line down the stretch. Harold Driver finished the game with 10 points for the winners.

Young paced Backes & Hill with 12 points. Brad Billmeier, Gyl Vaught, and Wilson scored 11 points each in a losing effort.

The game was played indoors at Princeton High School because of thunderstorms in the area. Game two will be played Wednesday, August 7 at 8:30 p.m. on the Community Park courts.

### Thrilling Semi-Final

SMB had moved into the championship series with a thrilling, 42-41 win over the Café on Friday, August 2. The Café took the lead 41-40 with nine seconds remaining when Robert Reed of Rider University sank one free throw.

When Reed missed the second free throw, SMB raced the ball up the court. Willie Dingle of Rider blocked an SMB layup attempt and the ball went out of bounds with one second remaining on the clock.

After calling a time-out, SMB inbounded the ball from near half court to the far corner where Harold Driver caught and released the game-winning jump shot as time expired. Driver finished with 12 points while Shawn Adams led SMB with 13 points. Jerry Johnson of Rider University chipped in with 11 for SMB, and Robert Reed led The Café with 17 points.

The game began outside at the Community Park courts but was moved inside with

points for Backes & Hill, while Gyl Vaught of the College of New Jersey chipped in with 15 for the winners.

George's played without its top scorer, Scott Findlay of TCNJ but led 29-26 at half-time. College of New Jersey point guard Leroy Peterson paced George's with 32 points, including 19 in the first half.

SMB advanced with a one-point quarter final win over Tiger's Tale.

Backes & Hill advanced to the championship series for the second consecutive year with a 60-52 win over George's Roasters & Ribs on August 2. Laurence Young of Rider University had 17

win over Princeton PBA. Gyl Vaught and Derick Grant drained 17 points each for the winners while Kyle Brown led Princeton PBA with 13 points.

George's had cruised into the semi-finals with an easy 53-38 win over Capsule Communications. Kyle Burke of the College of New Jersey led the way with 17 points including three treys for George's. Leroy Peterson dropped in 15 for Georges. Larry Kearse netted 18 in a losing effort for Capsule Communications.

Backes & Hill advanced to the semi-finals with a 62-53

### Tiger's Tale Sets Record At Summer Rec Game

Tiger Tale's Anthony Brown set an all-time park record with 45 points, including six three-pointers, at a Princeton Recreation Summer League basketball game against Princeton Youth Sports on August 2.

Ben Guervil scored 28 points for Princeton Youth Sports, but they fell to Tiger's Tale, 56-34.

La Principessa squeaked by the Nets, 21-17.



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Major League baseball games have been postponed or delayed for any number of reasons over the years, mostly because of bad weather. But perhaps no delay was more bizarre than the one that occurred at New York's Yankee Stadium on July 6, 2002. The afternoon game between the Yankees and the Toronto Blue Jays started half an hour later than scheduled because police near the stadium were pursuing - and eventually captured - two suspects from a bank robbery in another part of town earlier in the day.

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# Patriots Go 4-0, Corral First Ever Crown



**THEY ARE THE CHAMPIONS!** Celebrating their South County Invitational championship are Princeton Patriots members (front row): Francine Morales, Kristen De La Rosa, Dee Dee Mahon, Youngjin Yi, and Lisa Faraci and (standing) coach Carlos De La Rosa, Jocelyn Kowal, Kayla Elbaridi, Maureen Wells, Patty Nottingham, coach Jim Mahon, Juliana Furey and coach Jeff Furey.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

For the first time in the program's history, the Princeton Patriots seventh- and eighth-grade softball squad has won a championship, as the locals went 4-0 and won the South County Invitational Tournament at East Amwell in Hunterdon County on Saturday and Sunday, July 13 and 14.

The Princeton diamond girls sparked their way to the title by humbling the host squad, 15-5, in five frames in Sunday afternoon's crown copping contest.

While the title tilt was something of a blowout, Sunday morning's semifinal round showdown was anything but. Down to their last strike, the locals trailed New Hope, 6-4, in the top of the seventh, before rallying for four scores and then holding on for a thrilling 8-6 victory.

In Saturday's action, the Patriots first edged East Amwell, 10-7, before deluging Delaware Township, 17-0, in five innings in the nightcap.

The semi-final against New Hope saw Princeton score single runs in the top of the first and fourth frames, before relinquishing six runs in the last of the fourth.

After cutting the deficit to 6-3 with a tally in the top of the sixth, Princeton headed into the seventh stanza in somewhat desperate straights; the Pats, who had gained the top seed by virtue of their performance on Saturday, were still down by three runs and in clear danger of elimination by the fourth slotted squad.

The locals were able to close the gap to 6-4, but did

so at the expense of two outs on an infielder grounder and a strikeout.

Then, with the bases loaded, 13-year-old catcher Dee Dee Mahon stood at the plate suffering a two-strike count. The second slot slugger, though, came through with a sizzling two RBI single to center, knotting the tense tussle at six-all.

Eleven-year-old rightfielder Lisa Faraci followed Mahon's effort with a line drive safety of her own, a hit to right field that plated two more runs, giving the Patriots an 8-4 advantage.

Maureen Wells a 13-year-old righthanded pitcher and the circle ace for Saint Paul's School, got the win by subsequently shutting down New Hope's hopes in the last of the seventh.

Wells, who worked the final three-and-two-thirds innings of the game, had come into the contest with the bases loaded in the fourth, but gave up only one hit and struck out seven during her tossing time.

The squad's starter was Juliana Furey, a 12-year-old northpaw who went three-and-a-third and was charged with six runs, but none earned, as a key error led to New Hope's offensive explosion in the fourth frame.

In the championship conflict, Princeton led 5-2 after one, 8-2 after two, 9-4 after three and 11-4 after four frames.

The locals then went up, 15-5, in the fifth, ended East Amwell's agony via the ten-run rule.

The host team, though, apparently had plans to keep the game going and was nearly able to accomplish that aim.

In the bottom of the fifth and a score already added to East Amwell's total, the home team had runners at first and second with two out. A single was then laced to right field by an East Amwell hitter and the potential tying run headed for the plate.

Faraci, however, threw a one-hop strike back to Mahon at the plate and the Pats backstop tagged out the runner, ending the game early.

Wells recorded a complete game victory over EA, allowing six safeties and four earned runs, while notching a quintet of K's.

Among the most offensively productive Pats in that outing were Kristen De La Rosa, Mahon, Faraci and Wells.

A 13-year-old leadoff hitting shortstop, De La Rosa went one-for-three, with a walk, a solo home run, two runs batted in and two more scored.

Mahon was three-for-three on the day, with a double, a sac fly, three runs scored and two driven in, while Faraci went four-for-four, with a two-base hit, a trio of runs registered and two pushed across from the three hole, and Wells, the club's clean-up clubber, was three-for-three, with a pair of runs scored and one RBI to her credit.

## Start of the Quest

Princeton had begun its quest for a crown with that 10-7 outlasting of East Amwell on Saturday morning

and was down, 4-1, after just the first frame against the host squad.

The Pats, though, secured six scores in the second stanza, to go up, 7-4. With the game subsequently knotted at seven-all, Princeton tallied a trio of times in the bottom of the fifth to garner its margin of victory.

Furey, the top hurler for the John Witherspoon Middle School, was the starter and winner in that game, going all seven stanzas, while allowing five hits, eight walks and six earned runs, but striking-out 11 would-be EA batters.

Leading the way on the offensive side of things in that triumph were 11-year-old first bagger and seventh spot swinger Kayla Elbaridi (2-3, RBI, R), 14-year-old leftfielder Youngjin Yi (1-2, BB, 2 R, RBI), 12-year-old catcher and sixth slot slugger Patty Nottingham (1-2, BB, D, 2 RBI, R) and 12-year second sacker Gisela Moore (1-2, D, BB, R).

Finally, in the dumping of Delaware Township, Wells went all five frames for the shutout and scattered three hits and six walks, while totaling five strikeouts.

Mahon went three-for-four, with an RBI and three runs scored in that victory, while De La Rosa was two-for-three, with a walk, two runs recorded and an RBI, and Moore was two-for-three, with an RBI and a run scored.

"This is our first ever tournament championship and we couldn't be happier," revels Patriots coach Jim Mahon.

"That down-to-our-last-strike, come-from-behind-win over New Hope was just amazing. We really didn't want to end our season with that kind of loss, we really wanted to play in the final and the team absolutely came through in the clutch," Mahon marvels.

—Bill Allen

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## Blue Fish Earn Division II Championship Title

After going 5-0 in its quintet of dual meets this summer, the Community Park Pool-based Blue Fish swim team capped off a perfect season by finishing first in the Division II standings at the Princeton Area Swimming and Diving Association (PASDA) championship meet on Tuesday, July 30, at Rutgers University's aquatic center in Piscataway.

The Blue Fish totaled 1,858.5 points, while Cranbury was a close second with 1,810, followed by Lawrenceville, Ben Franklin of Lawrenceville, Penbrook of Pennington and Lenape of Montgomery.

Community Park's effort was paced by three swimmers who received Most Valuable Swimmer (MVS) awards: Nina Rossi and siblings Kristiana and Peter Kalibat.

The 14-and-under girls' MVS, Rossi garnered three overall gold medals and, in doing so, set a trio team records and a pair of new PASDA marks at the championship meet.

In the 14-under 50-yard freestyle, Rossi's time of :26.90 set a Blue Fish record and beat the PASDA mark of :27.42, which was set in 2000.

Rossi's :31.32 effort in the 50 breaststroke edged out the 7-year-old PASDA standard of :31.42, while her :24.96 showing in the 50 freestyle was her third personal best (PB) and team record time of the day, but was a quarter of a second slower than the PASDA record :24.72.

K. Kalibat, a 10-year-old and the 10-and-under girls MVS, finished first overall in both the 10-and-under 100-yard individual medley (:18.17) and the 10-under 25-yard butterfly, at :15.15.

Six-year-old P. Kalibat was the 6-and-under boys' MVS and the overall winner in the 6-and-under 25 backstroke, with a PB time of :23.92; he also finished first in Division II and second overall in the 25 free, posting a time of :21.98.

In relays action, four Blue Fish boys finished first overall in two different events, as the quartet of 12-year-old Joey Cifelli, 11-year-olds Jesse Lieberman and John Yi and 12-year-old Ben Wilbe won the 12-and-under 200-yard freestyle title (:15.748) and then took the 200 medley championship, at 2:15.78, with Lieberman swimming back, Yi doing the breaststroke, Wilbe doing butterfly and Cifelli anchoring with freestyle.

The team's three other overall championships were garnered by Peter Hand, Rob Hillas and Mike Leddy.

Hand, 15, tied for first overall in the 15-18 50 back (:28.17 PB). He was also second overall, but first in the division, in the 50 breaststroke, where he recorded a PB and team record time of :30.39.

Hillas, a 17-year-old Community Park assistant coach who is headed to Middlebury College in September, won the 15-18 100 IM with a PB time of 1:00.29, while Leddy, a 9-year-old, won the 10-and-under 25 back (:17.03 PB) and finished third in Division II in the 25 butterfly, at :15.89.

The list of Blue Fish who finished first in Division II also includes 11-year-old Meghan Leddy, who was second overall in both the 50 back (:33.19) and the 100 IM (:1:14.18), Jordan Lieberman, a 10-year-old who took second overall in the 25 butterfly (:14.63 PB) and was also second in the division and third overall in the 100 IM (:1:15.79) and Cifelli, who took fifth overall, but was first in the division, in the 50 breaststroke, at :39.22.

Another division title went to the 18-and-under boys 200 free relay team of Hand, 16-year-olds Scott Mohr and Lawrence Shu and Hillas, at 1:42.51.

Additionally, 6-year-old Kylie Reagan was second in D II and second overall in the 25 back (:23.94 PB), 8-year-



**QUALITY QUARTET:** The foursome of 12-year-old Joey Cifelli, 11-year-olds Jesse Lieberman and John Yi and 12-year-old Ben Wilbe finished first overall in both the 12-and-under 200-yard freestyle and medley relay events at the PASDA championship meet last week.

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**FLYIN' DOWN THE LANE:** Nina Rossi, 14, set three Blue Fish team records this summer, including a mark of :26.90 in the 50-yard butterfly, a time which also set a new PASDA championship meet record.

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## Senior Babe Ruth Baseball Squad Reaches Mercer Championship Series

"This is all new uncharted on Saturday evening, August fifth and two more runs in the territory to us; we've only 3, in Hamilton, but were then last of the sixth. been in the league for three thumped, 13-2, in a Sunday years and we had never won a afternoon affair at Smoyer the playoff game before," relates Park. While the final score Princeton/Cranbury Senior was lopsided, the game had Babe Ruth Baseball League been scoreless tie heading team manager John Williams into the fourth frame. of his foray to the Mercer PC and Hamilton were County League championship scheduled to decide the series.

After going 7-5 in regular rubber game of the series on season action and earning the Monday night, August 5. The third seed in the league's playoff final though, marked eight-team playoffs bracket, the fifth time that PC and Princeton/Cranbury tamed Hamilton faced each other in sixth-slotted Trenton, 14-4, in a span of less than two weeks. the quarterfinal round on in regular season play, PC rallied from 11-1 down to beat Wednesday, July 31.

Next, in a semifinal round showdown game begun on Friday, August 2 and completed the next day, the locals upset second-slotted Allentown, 11-5.

That triumph propelled Princeton/Cranbury into a best two-of-three championship series against the top seed, Hamilton-Lou Gehrig (13-2), which had beaten No. 4 Lawrence in the semi's.

The locals stunned Hamilton-LG, 7-4, in eight innings in the opening game

The locals then went ahead, 4-3, on a steal of home in the top of the seventh, but the host squad came right back to knot the game again in a tally in the bottom half of that inning and send the game into an extra inning.

PC, however, finally put Hamilton away with three runs in the top of the eighth when, with two out and one on, rightfielder/relief pitcher and ninth place hitter Zach Stern (frosh/PHS) blasted an RBI double which plated Eli Obus (soph/Hun) with the winning run. PC then added two more scores on Hamilton errors.

The PC starter in the game was Brian Norcross, a right-hander who tossed six stanzas and left with the game tied at three-all.

He was followed to the mound by Stern, who allowed one run while working the seventh and eighth innings.

Norcross also had the locals' first RBI of the game, while first bagger Kyle Williams (senior/PHS) drove in the PC runs in the third and fifth.

The go-ahead run in the top of the seventh was recorded when, with runners on first and third, centerfielder and second slot slugger Nat Kerr (soph/Lawrenceville) dashed home on a passed ball.

### PC vs. Allentown

The Friday/Saturday game against Allentown, which was also played at the Hamilton-Lou Gehrig Field, began with



**CAPABLE KYLE:** PC first baseman Kyle Williams, seen above in action against Trenton, went 3-4, with four runs batted in against Allentown.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

PC scoring six runs in the top of the first.

By the bottom of the fourth, Allentown had closed that deficit to 6-3, before PC tallied once in the top of the fifth. The game was then suspended due to the night's huge electrical storm and a controversy ensued.

Allentown wanted the game replayed in its entirety the next day, but the PC staff argued that it should be picked up from the point of suspension. With the Senior Babe Ruth League rule-book unclear as to the fate of suspended playoff games, reason prevailed and the game was resumed from the top of the fifth on Saturday afternoon.

PC scored again in the top of the fifth and Allentown tallied twice in the bottom of that inning, making the score 8-5. It remained 8-5 until PC registered three insurance runs in the top of the seventh.

Obus worked Friday's action, gave up three earned runs and moved to 3-0 on the year with the win, while Norcross (junior/George School) tossed Saturday's play and got a save for his efforts.

"Brian (Norcross) was amazing that day," said manager Williams. "He worked the final three innings of the Allentown game and then turned right around and pitched the first six against Hamilton. When I went to the mound to get him, he was just completely exhausted. It was a very, very hot humid day and he had worked nine innings."

### Tiger Football Team Named 2nd in Ivy Poll

The Princeton Tigers have been selected to finish second to defending champion Harvard in the Ivy League's preseason media poll.

Though the Tiger team has not had a winning season since 1996, it will be the Ivy League's most experienced squad this fall, with 42 returning lettermen and 19 returning starters under coach Roger Hughes.

While Princeton was a distant second to Harvard in the poll, the Tigers have an advantage in that they play all three of the other top teams — Harvard, Brown and Penn — at home this fall.

against Trenton, with three runs scored, while centerfielder and leadoff hitter Kerr went two-for-four, with a two-run round-trip blast in the fourth and three RBIs overall.

"We're just thrilled with the progress the team has made this year," enthuses Williams. "To go from never having won a playoff game to the league finals is just great."

"I think the way we played against Hamilton in game one of the series really epitomizes the spirit of the team. They have a much older squad (mostly seniors and some college freshmen), but we never fell behind, never let them get the advantage and really battled well."

—Bill Allen

### University Crew Captain Takes Gold at World Event

John Cranston, '03, team captain of next season's Princeton University Heavyweight Crew team, stroked the United States to one of four medals, and its only gold, at the 2002 World Under 23 Regatta in Genoa, Italy recently.

Cranston and his teammates crossed the finish line 3.67 seconds ahead of the second-place Canadians.

Also medaling was Tiger Lia Pernell, '03, who took the bronze in women's double sculls.

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## University Names Helen Williams Assistant Coach

Helen Williams was named assistant women's basketball coach, Princeton head coach Richard Barron announced today. She joins Princeton's staff after five seasons as assistant basketball coach at the United States Naval Academy.

A 1987 graduate of Wake Forest, Williams played point guard for the Demon Deacons all four years. Upon completion of her masters' degree in counseling from Lenoir-Rhyne College, Williams became an assistant coach at Lenoir-Rhyne. She coached at Wake Forest, South Florida and Western Michigan before landing at Navy.

While at Navy, Williams helped the Midshipmen earn the 1997-98 Patriot League regular-season title. She served as co-director of the U.S. Navy Basketball Camp and as a National Education Association grant reviewer in 2002.

Williams signed the nation's top three-point shooter while at Western Michigan, where she also served as an academic liaison for the basketball team. A member of the Women's Basketball Coaches Association and Black Coaches Association, Williams acted as chairperson on the Francis Pomeroy Naismith Committee from 1996-1999, and was a member of the Mervyn/California Women's Sports Foundation selection committee in 1999.

Princeton went from two wins in 2000-01 to 11 wins in 2001-02, Barron's first year with the Tigers. Barron returns all but one player from last year's squad and adds a strong recruiting class for his second season at the helm.

"I'm very excited about being at Princeton," says Williams. "I can't wait to start coaching."

## SoccerBuzz Ranks University Women 16th

Princeton University women's soccer recruiting class was recently ranked 16th by SoccerBuzz Magazine. The Tigers had a ranking of 24 a year ago.

Princeton returns eight starters from last year's team, including Ivy League Player of the Year and All-American Heather Deerin, three-time All-Ivy selection Kelly Sosa, and leading scorer Theresa Sherry.

They will be joined by eight freshmen.

Jessica Collins, graduate of Princeton University and of Princeton Day School, has joined the University women's soccer coaching staff. Collins was a four-year letter-winner who shared the University's 2002 Art Lane Award for outstanding service to sport and society by an undergraduate student athlete.

The Tigers open their season September 7 at Seton Hall and their Ivy League season the following week at Yale.

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## SUMMER READING - FICTION

Here is a list of suggestions for summertime reading compiled by Susan Roth, Reader Services Librarian at the Princeton Public Library. Most of the titles can be found on the New Book Shelves at the Library.

### Peter Carey. *True History of the Kelly Gang*

Ned Kelly, legendary Australian outlaw, narrates his life story.

### Hannah Crafts. *The Bondswoman's Narrative*

Henry Louis Gates has discovered and published this fictionalized slave narrative, written in the late 1850s and perhaps the first African American novel.

### Sijie Dai. *Bolzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress*

Two youths, suffering "re-education" during the Chinese cultural revolution, discover a treasure trove of forbidden books.

### David Anthony Durham. *Gabriel's Story*

In 1871, two young African Americans, searching for adventure, join a gang of cowboys headed for Texas.

### Per Olov Enquist. *The Royal Physicians Visit*

The royal physician, Struensee, tries to liberalize 18th century Denmark as he cares for the deranged king.

### Louise Erdrich. *The Last Report on the Miracles of Little No Horse*

Erdrich's fifth novel of the Ojibwe in North Dakota relates the adventures of Father Damien, a woman posing as a priest, who ministers to the Ojibwe for almost 80 years.

### Percival L. Everett. *Erosure*

An accomplished African American writer, frustrated at his obscurity, publishes a parody of ghetto fiction which becomes a huge commercial success.

### Jonathan Safran Foer. *Everything Is Illuminated*

In a story narrated by his Ukrainian translator in broken English, Foer travels to the Ukraine searching for the woman who saved his family from the Nazis.

### Donna M. Gershten. *Kissing the Virgin's Mouth*

Through determination and grit, Magda escapes from the poverty of her Mexican hometown, but yearns for the love and comfort of her family.

### Nadine Gordimer. *The Pickup*

A post-apartheid South African woman falls in love with an illegal Arab immigrant and joins him in his desert village.

### Tessa Hadley. *Accidents in the Home*

Living a comfortable suburban life in England, Clare begins to question her marriage when she meets her best friend's attractive beau.

### Katherine Harrison. *The Seol Wife*

A meteorologist moves to Anchorage, Alaska, in 1915, and, lonely and desolate, has obsessively passionate relationships with two local women.

### Mary-Beth Hughes. *Wovemaker II*

A family faces two crises when husband Will is imprisoned for protecting notorious attorney Roy Cohn, and son Bo is stricken with cancer.

### Paulette Jiles. *Enemy Women*

Adair Colley, falsely accused of being a Confederate spy, falls in love with her captor and endures a harrowing journey to join him after the war.

### William Kennedy. *Roscoe*

In Kennedy's seventh novel set in Albany, the charismatic and corrupt politician Roscoe must confront his past.

### Lisa Lerner. *Just Like Beauty*

In the chemically-controlled future, a suburban teen competes in the Feminine Woman of Conscience Pageant.

### Ann-Marie MacDonald. *Fall on Your Knees*

The secrets of five generations of a Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia, family are revealed in this saga of coal-mining communities.

### Andrew Miller. *Oxygen*

Alec returns to the English countryside to care for his dying mother and confronts his suffocating feelings of failure while translating the work of a successful Hungarian exile.

### Bharati Mukherjee. *Desirable Daughters*

When Tara, the privileged daughter of a Brahmin Indian family, divorces her wealthy husband and moves to California, she is confronted with a dangerous family secret.

### Alice Munro. *Homeship, Friendship, Courtship, Love-ship, Marriage*

Munro explores the varieties of human behavior in these nine stories of complicated relationships.

### Geoff Nicholson. *Bedlom Burning*

In this dark British farce, Michael Smith, posing as a novelist, teaches a creative writing class in the local insane asylum.

### Jamie O'Neill. *At Swim, Two Boys*

Two Dublin boys fall in love with each other during the 1916 Easter uprising.

### Ann Patchett. *Bel Conto*

An acclaimed American soprano is giving a concert for the vice president of an unnamed South American country when the house is invaded by terrorists.

### Richard Russo. *Empire Falls*

Miles Roby runs the local diner in Empire Falls, Maine, and observes the locals with love, humor and empathy.

### Winfried Georg Sebald. *Austerlitz*

Jacques Austerlitz reveals his life story to an unnamed narrator and painfully relives the deaths of his parents in the Holocaust.

### Susan Straight. *Highwire Moon*

Mexican workers risk their lives to earn a living in Southern California, encountering prejudice and brutality, but also love and kindness.

### Paul Theroux. *Hotel Honolulu*

The inhabitants of Hawaii's Hotel Honolulu reveal their erotic and often tragic lives to a new manager.

### Calvin Trillin. *Tepper Isn't Going Out*

In this send-up of New York City, Murray Tepper camps out in his car to preserve his precious parking space.

### Mario Vargas Llosa. *The Feast of the Goat*

Several characters relate the final days of Trujillo in the Dominican Republic.

### Colson Whitehead. *John Henry Days*

Legend and history combine in this inventive and funny portrayal of the African American folk hero John Henry.

### Joseph Weisberg. *10th Grade*

Jeremy Reskin, a 10th grader at Hutch Falls High School in New Jersey, learns to express himself through writing in this hilarious chronicle of his sophomore year.

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"The interesting people that live here. You can talk to somebody for three or four years, assume they are a house-husband, and they turn out to be a Nobel Prize winner. I've met so many interesting people. I've gotten to know the people of this neighborhood (John-Witherspoon neighborhood) and it's amazing. People are great. Every house has a different story."

Edy Moshey, Prospect Avenue

## Princeton Reads

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Princeton with his wife and two daughters this week, added, "This is an exciting way for me and my family to join the community."

In June, the library's selection committee announced a list of six books from which the community would select one.

The committee — comprised of Leslie Burger, the director of the library; Susan Roth, the program and reader services librarian; Janet Stern, the program director of the Arts Council of Princeton; Bonnie Kunzel, the young adults librarian; Arlene Sindling, the librarian at Princeton High School; and Pam Hersh, the director of Princeton University's Office of Community and State Affairs — sought books by authors with a connection to the Princeton community.

"Once we established the criteria of having a Princeton-affiliated author, we had to find books that were complex as well as accessible, which is not an easy thing to do," said Ms. Roth. "We're hoping to reach a wide audience, from high school age and up."

The initial list of books selected by the committee included Mr. Lee's *Native Speaker*; *Rule of the Bone* by Russell Banks, a former professor at Princeton University; *This Side of Paradise* by F. Scott Fitzgerald, who attended the University; *The Bluest Eye* by Toni Morrison, who currently teaches in the University's Creative Writing Program; them by Joyce Carol Oates, who also teaches in the Creative Writing Program; and *The Hot Zone* by Richard Preston, a Princeton area resident.

Tim Quinn, the public information director at the library, said that the selection process produced a close race. According to Mr. Quinn, *Native Speaker* received 51 of the total 209 votes cast, while *This Side of Paradise* received 49 votes and *Rule of the Bone* received 46 votes.

"I think this is a terrific opportunity for the community to come together and talk about the same book," said Ms. Burger. "All of the books that were nominated were wonderful, and each one raised issues relevant to today's society. This will be a great opportunity for meaningful community dialogue."

"People found appealing things in all the books that were nominated," said Ms. Roth. "We're excited that so many people have expressed their desire to read a wide variety of books." She stated that the library will have 100 copies of *Native Speaker* available, and it will order more as it becomes necessary.

The impetus for the program came from viewing the success of similar programs in cities such as Seattle and Chicago. People in Seattle chose *The Sweet Hereafter* by Russell Banks as their first community book, and Chicago residents selected Harper Lee's *To Kill a Mockingbird*.

A series of events and book discussion groups, to be held locally from October 20 through November 2, are now in the process of being planned.

Ms. Roth stated that a num-



Chang-rae Lee

ber of organizations and businesses have already indicated their desire to host a discussion group. Including the Princeton Senior Resource Center, McCarter Theater, the Princeton University Store, the YWCA of Princeton, Marsha Child Contemporary Gallery, Cranbury Station Gallery, and TV30, which will tape a book discussion group.

In addition, Mr. Lee will appear at a special event during which he will read a selection from *Native Speaker*, talk about the book, and answer questions from the audience. The location and date of that event are currently undetermined.

### Born in Korea

Born in Korea, Mr. Lee immigrated to the United States with his family when he was 2 years old. Raised in Westchester, N.Y., he graduated from Yale University with a degree in English and from the University of Oregon with an MFA in writing. Before turning to writing full time, he worked as a Wall Street analyst for a year.

Released in 1995 by Riverhead Books, *Native Speaker*, Mr. Lee's first book, won numerous honors, including the Hemingway Foundation/PEN award and the American Book Award. The novel explores the life of a Korean-American outsider who is involved in espionage against the backdrop of New York City politics and ethnic tensions.

"*Native Speaker* is about a lot of things: immigrants, feelings of alienation, cultural separation," said Mr. Lee, who was named a finalist for Granta Magazine's Best American Novelists Under 40 Award. "But it's all predicated upon language and trying to find one's place in a language."

In 1999, Mr. Lee completed his second novel, *A Gesture Life*, which elaborated on the themes of iden-

tity and assimilation through the narrative of an elderly physician who recalls treating Korean "comfort women" during World War II. His third novel is planned for release in 2003.

Beginning this fall, Mr. Lee will be teaching creative writing classes and an occasional literature course in conjunction with the University's East Asian Studies Program.

"This move to Princeton University is not one that I'm considering to be short-term," said Mr. Lee. "My family and I are thinking that this is the place where we'd like to settle down."

Last year, while the director of the MFA Program at Hunter College in New York City, Mr. Lee taught as a visiting professor at Princeton University and had the opportunity to work with colleagues on the Humanities Council. "Working with them was fantastic," he said. "They offered exactly what one would hope for from great writers and colleagues."

Ms. Burger is hopeful that the Princeton community will find exactly what it is looking for in a novel in *Native Speaker*. "This is our first year doing the program," she said. "If it's successful, then we'll keep doing it. There are a lot of books to read."

—David McNutt

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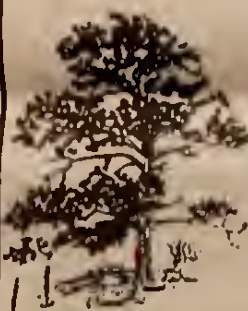
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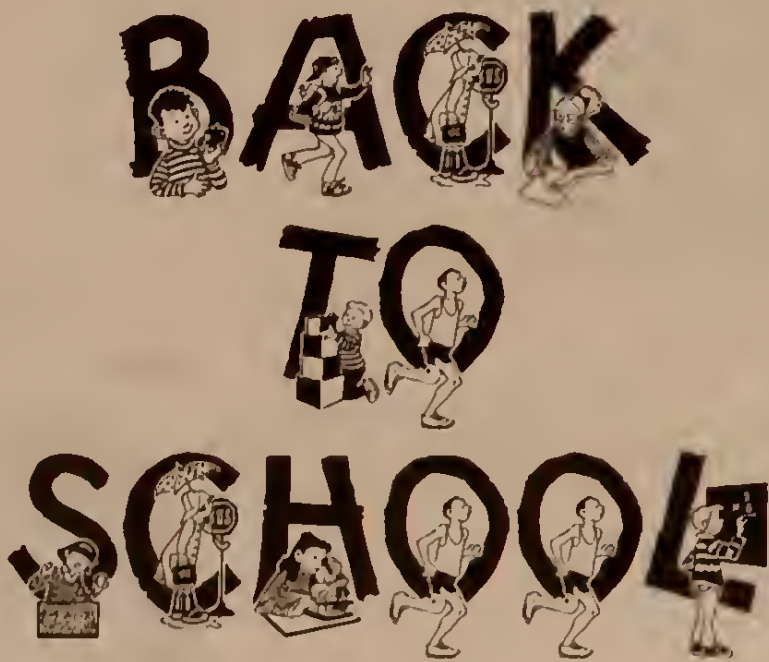


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## TRENTON ROUNDUP

### Court Favors Affordable Housing Construction Over Contributions

Two decisions by the New Jersey Supreme Court on Monday indicate that plans from builders who pay for affordable housing will not get the same treatment from the court as plans from those who actually construct it. The rulings on the cases in Cherry Hill and High Bridge may spur towns and developers alike to rethink plans that allow builders to pay into affordable housing funds in lieu of constructing affordable units. Only days earlier, the court ruled in support of lower courts' decisions to grant Toll Brothers developer a builder's remedy for a 1,165-unit housing development after determining that West Windsor had failed to provide sufficient affordable units. Affordable housing advocates praised the three decisions, saying the court was returning to the original intent of the so-called Mount Laurel doctrine. Gov. James E. McGreevey said last week that he opposes the builder's remedy. A spokesman said the governor wants to work with the state legislature to revamp affordable housing guidelines.

### Torricelli Rebuked by Senate Ethics Committee

United States Senator Robert Torricelli was "severely admonished" last week by the Senate Ethics Committee for accepting gifts from businessman David Chang and failing to report them. The committee found Sen. Torricelli had accepted a television and stereo CD player without repaying Chang for the retail value; had failed to declare as gifts earrings given to the senator's sister, friend, and employee as Christmas presents; and had accepted on loan two bronze statues for his office, though the artists were not from New Jersey as required by the state's art in the office program. Sen. Torricelli denied any legal wrongdoing, but said he made a lapse of judgement in associating with Mr. Chang and allowing the transactions.

### Homestead Rebate Checks Delayed

Gov. James E. McGreevey announced Thursday that the state will delay mailing Homestead Rebate checks for one month. Gov. McGreevey admitting to knowing about the delay for six weeks prior to making a public announcement. The state deadline for mailing rebate checks is October 31, but checks have traditionally been mailed July 31. The Homestead Rebate program mails checks annually to seniors who make less than \$100,000 or are blind and disabled. Homeowners and renters who make less than \$200,000 are also eligible. Rebates can be as much as \$775.

### State Hires Coaches to Improve Literacy Teaching

Beginning next month, 30 reading coaches hired by the state Education Department will help teachers improve how they teach reading to students in 80 elementary schools. The reading coaches are the cornerstone of Gov. James E. McGreevey's \$10 million program to improve early literacy. The program will place coaches in schools where more than 15 percent of students failed the reading and writing portion of the state fourth-grade test in 2001. The state has hired coaches for the school year beginning in September and plans to add more coaches over the next three years. The program will not cover New Jersey's 30 "special needs" districts, including Trenton, which receive federal assistance.

### Treasurer Invites Review of Pension Fund

State Treasurer John McCormac Thursday invited 10 investment firms to conduct a broad review of New Jersey's investment program. The state has lost \$22 billion on stock market investments over the past two years. Members of the State Investment Council, which oversees the Division of Investment, charge that the examination is politically motivated. They maintain that the Treasurer does not have the authority to make investment decisions or delegate the council's responsibility to outside consultants. The administration is concerned for the solvency of the retirement system, which will cost the state more than \$1 billion for the next budget unless fund performance improves. Mr. McCormac expects to select a firm by the fall.

### Campaign Will Promote Health Insurance for Children

State officials, the United Methodist Church, and Horizon/Mercy health management organization have launched a campaign to increase enrollment of children in the state's FamilyCare program, which provides free or low-cost health insurance for children from low- or moderate- income families. The program also provides coverage for adults. About 95,000 children are currently enrolled in the program, and about 70,000 more are eligible for coverage in the state. The new state budget increased funding for the children's portion of FamilyCare from \$103 million to \$129 million. Funding for the adult portion was cut \$10 million to \$433 million.

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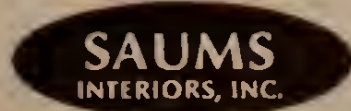
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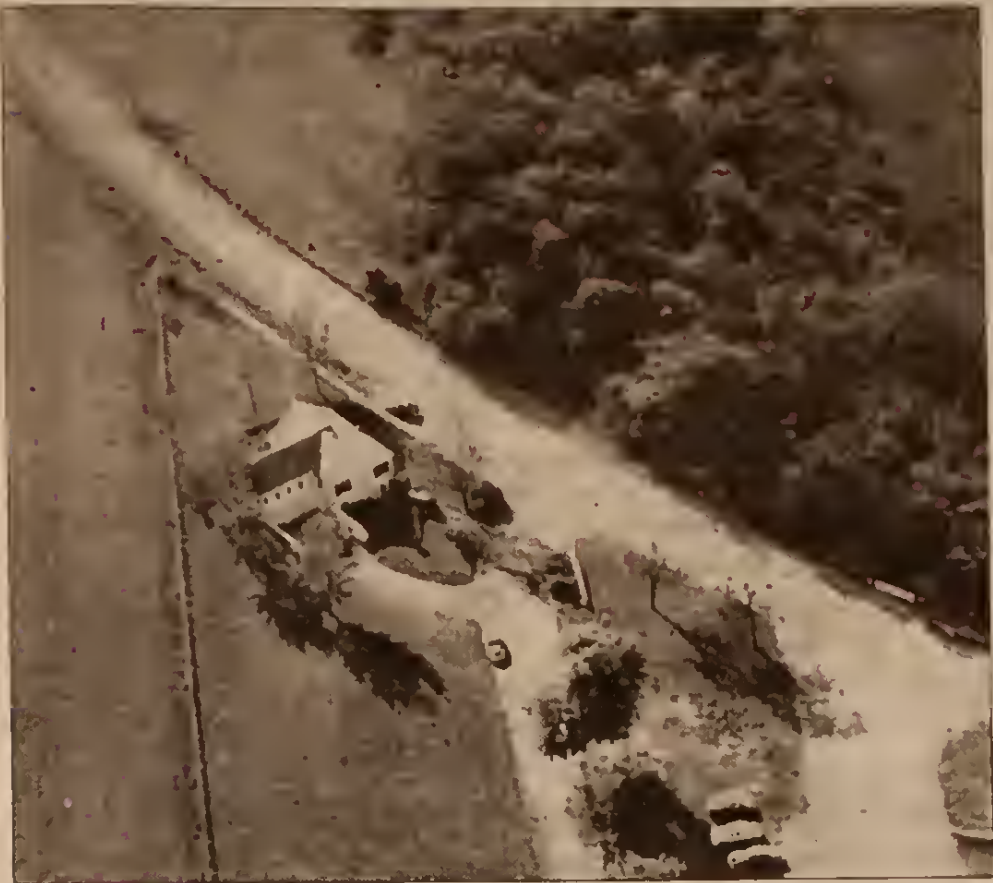
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## GOING BACK - 25 YEARS AGO



**LOOKING BACK FARTHER WHILE GOING BACK:** Twenty-five years ago, Princetonians were nostalgic for an even more bucolic past. Town Topics published this aerial photo, probably taken in 1953, of Township Hall and the newly-constructed Township garage, beside a country-lane-like Route 206.

Here is a look back at events in Princeton in 1977 as seen in the pages of Town Topics.

**B**orough Council considers a controversial one-year ban on Princeton University DNA research at the high-risk "P-3" level.

• Alfredo Rossi and Flavio Buono open Victor's Pizzeria at 88 Nassau Street. The owners plan to specialize in Neapolitan or thin-crust pizza. "That's real pizza: where it came from originally." A single slice costs 50 cents. Victor's large Special Pizza ("The Works") sells for \$5.60.

• Steel work is completed on a major addition to Princeton Medical Center.

• Lawrence E. Benson and realtor John T. Henderson Jr. announce plans to build a commercial and office building on the corner of Witherspoon and Spring streets, where the Benson Building was destroyed by fire in January. Apartments are planned for the two top floors.

• Rocky and Annie Holl are playing at the Quaker Bridge 4 movie theater, while Stor Wors is at the Princeton Playhouse in Palmer Square.

• One hundred Bayer aspirin are 99 cents at Davidson's supermarket and a five-ounce tube of Colgate toothpaste is 79 cents. Maxwell House coffee is a coupon special at \$2.99 per pound and sirloin tip round roast is \$1.29. At the Dockside fish market next to the laundromat in the Princeton Shopping Center, live lobsters are \$3.25 per pound and sliced Nova lox is \$7.

### Real Estate Listings

**N**.T. Callaway Real Estate lists a six-bedroom Victorian townhouse in a "convenient" Princeton location for \$140,000. A Herrontown Circle four-bedroom house is \$89,000. Firestone Real Estate lists a nine-acre contemporary mini-estate in the horse country north of Princeton "with sub-division potential" for \$117,500. Firestone also lists the "super-dome" geodesic house on Province Line Road for \$89,000.

• At the First National Bank, a one-year savings certificate yields 6 percent. Meanwhile, Princeton Bank and Trust offers a special auto loan rate of 9.75 percent.

• Tiger Auto at 26 Witherspoon Street offers all merchandise at 30 to 70 percent off during its final month in business.

• It is proposed to raise the salaries of Township committeemen from \$1,000 a year to \$3,000, with the mayor receiving \$5,000.

• Princeton University will move four

houses from William Street to form a court near 185 Nassau Street, and will demolish two others.

• \$4,000 in silverware is stolen from a Stockton Street home.

• The Princeton Opera Association prepares a production of *The Pirates of Penzance* starring Mary Kemp and Bruce Turner for the Open Air Theatre in Washington Crossing State Park. Dan Berkowitz is the director.

• A new traffic light at the intersection of Route 206 and Cherry Valley Road is put into operation on a Wednesday. Two accidents occur at the intersection the following day.

• A classified ad offers \$150 to an experienced carpenter-handyman for three days work installing panelling and cabinets. In the same week, clerk-stenographer positions carry an annual salary range of \$7,300 to \$8,060.

• A child-birth group, Birth Alternatives, is formed to aid women having babies at home.

• With the purchase of any 1977 Saab or Fiat Spyder at Nemeth Motors on Route 206, a free CB radio is offered.

• Stanley and Barbara Smoyer contribute \$15,000 toward the cost of lights at six of Princeton's tennis courts.

### Constitution Hill Development

**T**he planning board receives a proposal to turn the 47-acre Constitution Hill estate of the Morgan family into 70 housing units.

• After 31 years at Princeton High School, many of them as coach of a Little Tiger football team which won six Mercer County championships, Joe Jingolet retires.

• The concrete barriers on the newly constructed Great Road bike path elicit critical letters to the "Mailbox."

• An ad for Nassau Street's English Shop pictures a Leslie Fay wool dress for \$42. H.P. Clayton on Palmer Square touts "The Peasant Look" with a challis print, two-piece dress.

• Princeton native Christopher Reeve is playing the title role in *Superman*, currently filming in New York City.

• In the face of opposition to the proposed Interstate 95 extension through Hopewell Township, the New Jersey DOT proposes an alternative route through Lawrence, Princeton, and Montgomery townships.

• Burnett Griggs dies at age 89. He was the owner of Griggs Restaurant, located at the corner of Hulfish and Witherspoon streets, from 1919 to 1962.

—Carol R. Kagay

## Mediation

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The contract negotiations come at a time when the district is preparing to enter the construction phase of its multi-year, \$81.3 million renovation project at each of its six schools.

"I am absolutely stunned that as we go into this construction project, this is the kind of relationship the Board wants with us," said Ms. Thompson on Tuesday.

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on August 29 at 4:30 at the Valley Road Building.

Negotiations between the two parties, which began in earnest in February, had been taking place under interest-based bargaining, or "win-win bargaining," a process developed by the Harvard School of Business. According to Ms. Bialek, both sides had been enthusiastic and hopeful of an early, mutually satisfactory conclusion to the negotiations.

One of the main issues in the negotiations concerns the legality of language within previously negotiated contracts. Before the current negotiations began, the School Board had its previous conclusion to the negotiations analyzed by the New Jersey School Boards Association (NJSBA).

On May 16, the teachers'

union requested a halt to the interest-based negotiations and a return to traditional bargaining methods, which include proposal exchanges. Shortly thereafter, the sides agreed that they were at an impasse and referred the matter to the Public Employee Relations Committee (PERC), which handles cases requiring mediation.

After more than two months, PERC assigned Mr. Gwin as the mediator for the negotiations. During the mediation process, each side will have an opportunity to express its perspective and explain the issues of contention. After deliberation, the mediator will present his recommendation for a proposed settlement.

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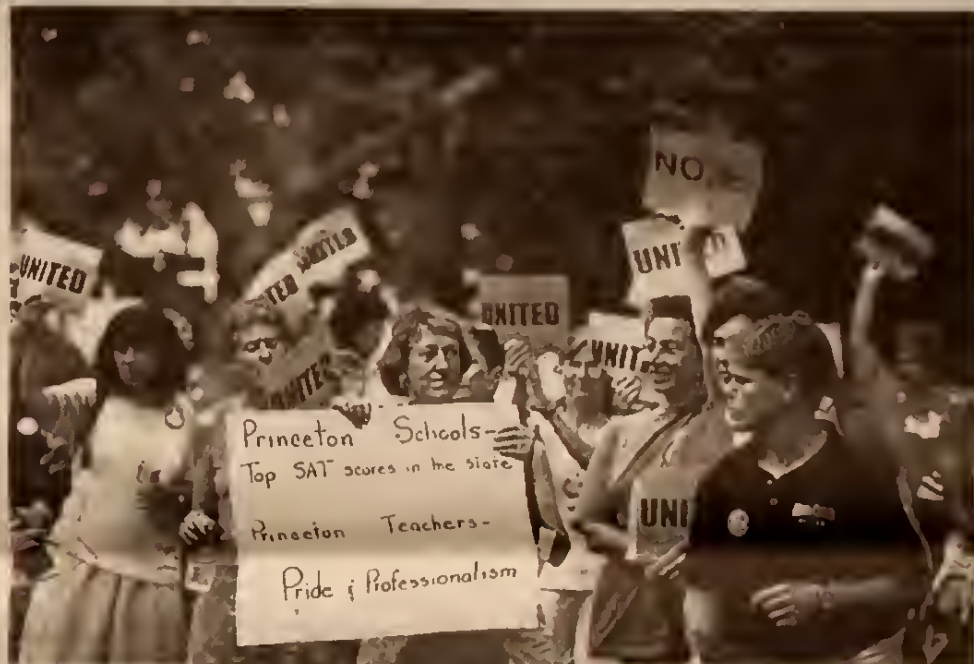
"In their analysis, they determined that there were certain things in the contract that are unenforceable and non-negotiable," said Ms. Bialek previously. "They went through every clause and explained the implications of each one to us and informed us that some of the language from previous contracts was inappropriate."

The teachers' union, however, does not agree with the NJSBA's interpretation of the contract, believing that they negotiated the terms of their previous contract in good faith.

The School Board has asked PERC to rule on the legality of the contract's language and expects an announcement by the end of August.

"We want to have a contract in place when school starts so that we can have a positive start to the school year," said Ms. Thompson. "We'll meet with anyone, and we'll do whatever it takes to resolve this issue."

—David McNutt



**"NO MORE BUSINESS AS USUAL":** Members of Princeton Regional Education Association, the local teachers' union, display signs prior to a meeting in which representatives from the School Board and the union met with a mediator.

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## DOES ANYONE REALLY CARE?

By the Rev. Peter K. Stimpson



The Rev. Peter K. Stimpson

**QUESTION:** Does anyone really care about anyone else? I go to parties all the time, engage in meaningless banter, but always wonder if anyone really gives a damn about me. What do you think?

**ANSWER:** Most people do care. The existence of Trinity Counseling Service and other non-profit groups, let alone the

massive response across the country to September 11th bears witness to that caring. But, if you are keeping a score card, only God and the person in question knows for sure.

Here is a powerful thought: the price for being selfish is to BE selfish. If someone genuinely cares about you, they gain you as a friend. If they do not, no matter how much "banter" is exchanged, they do not. Of course, when you hit bad times, that is, when you get sick or lose your money, then you have a better chance at discerning who is "true blue". But my point, abstract but powerful, is that even if a person fools everyone during their lifetime, they fool neither themselves nor God.

Life is a process of growth determined by how you relate to others. Life is a series of choices. Will you be kind or cruel, helpful or manipulative, caring or callous? Each interaction with each person on each day determines the depth of your growth. Death is the end of this process of growth. The judgment of God is simply to accept your judgment. If you have chosen to be a shallow, selfish person who feels that others like you because you have money, drive the right car, live in the right neighborhood, throw the right party, or associate with the right people, then your punishment is to be what you have chosen to be: shallow and selfish for all eternity.

However, now let me pose you a question, making you look at the plank in your own eye instead of the speck in the eye of the other. Do YOU care? If you are going to parties because you are worried whether you will be liked or accepted, then you have foolishly handed over the power to determine your worth to others, nervously awaiting the mail that tells if you will or will not be still invited to a party, or being paranoid about how others view you when your business fails or you drive off the first tee travels only an embarrassing ten feet.

God loves you not because of who you know, but because of who you are. Until you breathe your last, you still have the ability to turn your life around, to believe in yourself enough to risk saying what you think and behaving as the caring person whom you were born to be. All the accoutrements of power and glory will not be coming with you when you enter the next life. Who you have chosen to be will. So, worry less about whether others care about you, and start worrying about whether you really care about them. There is nothing you can do about the former, but you will have to live for all eternity with what you decide to do about the latter.

This Wellness column is funded through the generosity of a grant from the J. Seward Johnson, Sr. Charitable Trusts. If you would like Father Stimpson to answer a question of yours on family life, daily living or emotional health, you can write to him at: Trinity Counseling Service, 22 Stockton Street, Princeton, NJ 08540. Trinity Counseling Service provides clinical or pastoral counseling on a sliding fee scale for all who need help and support. Phone Trinity Counseling Service at 609-924-0060 to set an appointment.

## OBITUARIES

**Claudia Tate, 55,** Princeton University professor and author, who was known for her innovative contributions to African-American literary criticism, died July 30 after a long battle with lung cancer.

"She was an extraordinarily important figure in the history of pushing African-American (literary) criticism to a new and more sophisticated stage," said Hazel Carby, professor of African-American and American studies at Yale University.

"She was an original thinker who was not bound by the commonplaces of what's African-American and what's not," said author Nell Irvin Painter, a Princeton professor of American history and African-American studies.

Prof. Tate's 1983 book, *Black Women Writers at Work*, prompted Princeton English and African-American studies professor Valerie Smith to hail it during a recent symposium for raising "provocative and insightful questions (that) set a new standard for the interview as a genre."

Her other books include *The Works of Katherine Tilton*, *Domestic Allegories of Political Desire: The Black Heroine's Text of the Turn of the Century*, and *Psychoanalysis and Black Novels: Desire and the Protocols of Race*.

Prof. Tate, who was born in Long Branch, received a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan and a doctorate in English and American literature and language from Harvard University.

She joined Princeton's faculty in 1997 as a professor of English and African-American Studies. Before coming to Princeton, she was an English professor at George Washington University and a faculty member at Howard University.

She is survived by two sons, Read Hubbard of New York City and Jerome Lindsey of Norfolk, Va.; a brother, Harold A. Tate of Las Vegas; and her parents, Harold N. and Mary A. Tate of Fair Haven.

A memorial service is planned for September 27 at 2 at Princeton University Chapel.

Memorial contributions may be sent to St. Thomas Episcopal Church School, Sunset and Bridge Avenues, Red Bank 07701.

**Stephen L. King, 77,** of Princeton, died July 27 at The Medical Center at Princeton.

Born in New Hope, Pa., he lived in Montgomery before moving to Princeton.

He was a graduate of Princeton High School and an Army veteran of World War II.

He worked for the Borough of Princeton before retiring.

He was a member of the Disabled American Veterans Commanders Club, Knights of Columbus Hopewell Council 2103 and St. Alphonsus Church.

He played with the Oliver and Steve King bands.

Son of the late Andrew L. and Blanche L. Briscoe King, he is survived by a sister, Naomi Rodriguez of Princeton.

**Myrtle L. Van Marter, 94,** of Lawrenceville, died August 2 at home.

Born in Blawenburg, she lived in the Princeton-Lawrenceville area all her life.

She was a retired self-employed caterer.

Daughter of the late Etta and Harry Jenner, and wife of the late George J. "Skip" Van Marter, she is survived by a brother, W. Harry Jenner of Carolina Beach, N.C.

Funeral services were held August 6 at the Kimble Funeral Home. Interment was in Lawrenceville Cemetery.

**Nancy E. Poor, 74,** of New York, died June 30. She had been a long-time resident of Princeton.

She was a model and speech pathologist.

She is survived by her son, John M. Parrott, of Philadelphia; brothers Charles L. Poor III of Washington, D.C. and J. Sheppard Poor of Rumson; and two grandchildren.

A celebration of her life will be held Sunday, September 22 at 4 at the Church of the Transfiguration, 1 East 29th Street, New York. A memorial service will be held Saturday, September 28, at 1 at the Six-Mile Run Reform Church on Route 27 in Franklin Park.

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**Anna P. Elias**, 93, of Lawrenceville, died August 6, at Princeton Nursing Home.

Born in Princeton, she lived in the area all of her life.

Daughter of the late Maria and Antonio Petrone, and wife of the late George Elias, she is survived by sisters Edith Benedetti and Sylvia Ross, both of Princeton; and brothers Albert Petrone of Texas and Anthony Petrone of Florida.

The funeral will be held Friday, August 9, at 8:45 from the Kimble Funeral Home. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Paul's Church at 9:30. Burial will follow in St. Paul's Cemetery.

Calling hours will be Thursday, August 8, from 3 to 4 and from 7 to 9 at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul's Church, 214 Nassau Street, Princeton 08542.

**Edith E. Wilson**, 81, of West Windsor, died August 1 at home.

Born in Philadelphia, she lived there until 1958, when she moved to West Windsor.

She was a lyric soprano and sang at many Philadelphia churches. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Lawrenceville and its choir.

She is survived by her husband, William C. Wilson; daughter Suzanne E. Stewart; sons Clarke W. Matthew M. and Andrew E.; nine grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

A memorial service will be held Wednesday, August 7, at 11 at A.S. Cole Funeral Home, 22 North Main Street, Cranbury. Burial will be in Brainerd Cemetery, Cranbury.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice Foundation at The Medical Center at Princeton, Department of Home Care, 253 Witherspoon Street, Princeton 08540.

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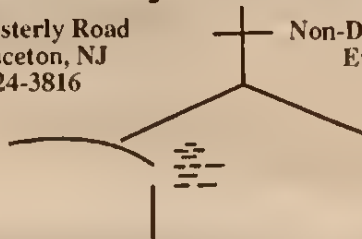
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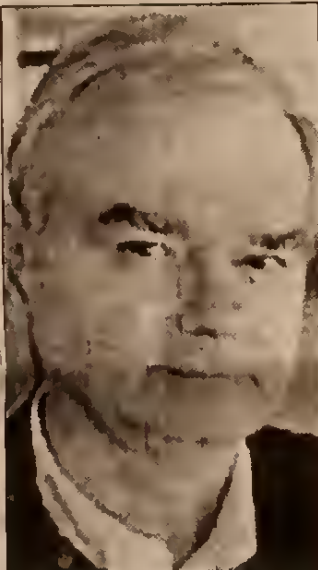
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## PEOPLE



Robert Stengel

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Solution at bottom  
White to mate in six.

The difference between beginner and experienced player is measured by the understanding of the relative values of the pieces. When one starts learning that a knight is not always worth three points, a rook not always five, etc. In fact, a knight strongly placed on the sixth rank is often worth even more than a rook in a closed position.

This week's featured game exemplifies a deep understanding of the position. Upon the realization that white would have some difficulty bringing his rooks into the game and noticing that white's bishop is less than satisfactory, I didn't hesitate to sacrifice the exchange on move 19.

Although I was not winning the position after the exchange, I knew that my opponent would have to defend perfectly to hold me off, and as GM Jeremy Silman wrote, "Very few players defend perfectly!" Please notice the constant increase in the power of the black pieces and passiveness of white's pieces; this is achieved by creating various threats and overloading the white pieces.

This week's diagram actually occurred on the board next to me during round eight of the U.S. Open — it seems as though white is going to be checkmated: 1. Bxc2 Qxa2# However, the plethora of white pieces pointing toward the black

king leads to a beautiful combination. Good luck!

—Chad Lieberman

Sevilla, C. (1920)

Lieberman, C. (1695)

US Open (9), 08.04.2002

1. b4!	Nf6
2. Bb2	e6
3. a3	Be7
4. Nf3	0-0
5. e3	b6
6. Be2	Bb7
7. d3	d5
8. Nbd2	Nbd7
9. c4	dx c4
10. Nxc4	c5
11. b5!	Nd5
12. 0-0	Qc7
13. g3	Bf6!
14. Bxf6	N7xf6
15. Qb3	Rac8
16. e4	Ne7
17. h3	Rfd8
18. Nfe5	Nd7
19. f4	Nxe5
20. fxe5	Ng6
21. Nd6	Nxe5
22. Nxc8	Qxc8
23. Qc3	Rd4
24. a4	Qd8
25. Ra3	Qg5
26. Qe1	Qd8
27. Qf2	f5!!
28. exf5	Qd5
29. Kh2?	exf5
30. Qg1	Rb4
31. Rxf5	Rb2
32. Rf2	Rxe2!

White resigns

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Solution



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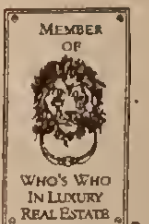
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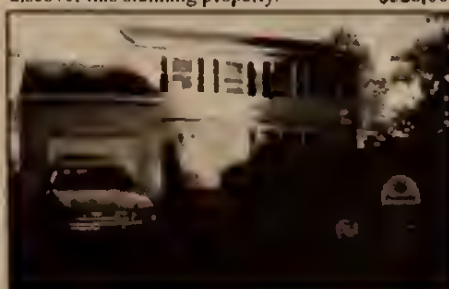
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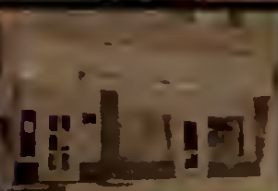
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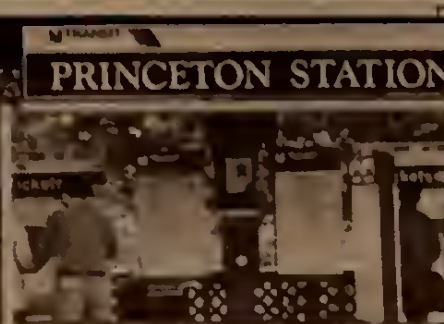






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